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Avanti Achieves Gold!

Calgary, AB — March 18, 2008 — Avanti Software Inc. today announced it has attained Gold Certified Partner status in the Microsoft Partner Program, recognizing Avanti's expertise and proven ability to meet customers' needs.

Avanti Software Inc. is one of Canada's leading fully integrated Human Resource, Payroll and Time and Attendance software providers. Avanti's integrated, yet modular and customizable approach makes it unique among its competitors.

"It was our commitment to quality, and continuous improvement that led us to pursue the Gold Partnership with Microsoft. The whole thing is about the customer – how can we make our product better and serve our customers better. The support we get from the Microsoft Gold Partnership will be an integral part of our ongoing education and product improvement," said Stephen Habel, Business Development at Avanti Software Inc.

The Microsoft Gold Partnership provides credibility, allowing Avanti to clearly promote its expertise and relationship with Microsoft to its customers. The benefits provided through Gold Certified Partner status will allow Avanti to continue to enhance its offerings and win customers with their deep knowledge of solutions-based Microsoft platform technologies.

Allison Watson, vice president of the Worldwide Partner Sales and Marketing Group at Microsoft Corp. said "[Customers] need to trust in a company that can act as an expert adviser for their long-term strategic technology plans. Microsoft Gold Certified Partners, which have certified expertise and direct training and support from Microsoft. Today, Microsoft recognizes Avanti as a new Gold Certified Partner for demonstrating its expertise providing customer satisfaction using Microsoft products and technology."

The Microsoft Partner Program was launched in October 2003 and represents Microsoft's ongoing commitment to the success of partners worldwide. The program offers a single, integrated partnering framework that recognizes partner expertise, rewards the total impact that partners have in the technology marketplace, and delivers more value to help partners' businesses be successful.

Avanti Software Inc. is one of Canada's leading fully integrated Human Resource, Payroll and Time and Attendance software providers. Inspired by the needs of Canadian Businesses, they continuously develop and refine their products to the needs of their clients. Avanti Software Inc. head office is located at Suite 400 Southland Tower, 10655 Southport Road SW, Calgary, Alberta. 1-800-660-0464. www.avanti.ca

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