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## Finding Answers in the Compaq Chaos: Sector7 and IBM to Provide Migration Solutions for Alpha/OpenVMS and Tru64 UNIX

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AUSTIN, Texas--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 10, 2001--Sector7 announced today that, in light of the Compaq decision to end the Alpha architecture and transfer all Alpha Intellectual Property and personnel to Intel, they will expand their current IBM service portfolio by offering Compaq VAX/Alpha OpenVMS and Tru64 users a free initial assessment to determine cost and time to re-host their custom or package applications to IBM pSeries computer systems.

The offer from Sector7 and IBM for this free initial assessment (up to a \$100K value depending on the application size) is available immediately. "Since Compaq's recent announcement to consolidate its entire 64-bit family of servers onto the Intel Itanium microprocessor architecture by 2004, we have seen a significant increase in the number of hits to our website and interest in our services," said Jon Power, president and CEO of Sector7 USA Inc.

"We had a great deal of interest back in September of 1999 when Compaq announced it would discontinue support for the Alpha/NT platform but nothing like we are seeing now. That was just the end of a specific operating environment...this is the end of the architecture and it is clear to me that decision makers are reconsidering their loyalty to Compaq, and are actively seeking other alternatives."

"Alpha OpenVMS and Tru64 UNIX clients have invested millions of dollars in applications to run their businesses and I doubt they ever thought that being forced to migrate to a totally new computer system was what Compaq meant by protecting their investment in Alpha platforms."

Sector7's five-step application migration process, refined over the past 15 years through many successful projects with IBM, provides Compaq users with a way to move to a state-of-the-art IBM pSeries UNIX environment immediately.

Sector7 services include:

- Enterprise application re-platforming
- Legacy application management
- OpenVMS consulting, support and contracting
- Testing and implementation
- Application renovation
- Server consolidation and migration

About Sector7

Sector7 was established in the U.K. in 1985 by CEO Jon Power. Since then Sector7 has migrated many leading-edge applications from OpenVMS to Windows and UNIX as well as many UNIX-to-UNIX migrations. The experience gained is of obvious benefit to new clients: it reduces the time, risk and overall cost required to migrate applications to a new platform. Headquartered in Austin, Texas, Sector7 has offices in North America, Europe and Asia Pacific. Sector7's tools and services enable application developers across all industry sectors to retain the significant investment in their applications by providing them

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with a cost-effective means to migrate them from proprietary systems to other operating systems including, but not limited to, Windows NT and AIX.

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