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Mainstar Announces Simplified Linux Management under z/VM *Automated instance management provides greater accuracy and efficiency.*

Mainstar Software Corporation, an industry-leading provider of data access solutions in the z/OS arena, is announcing the availability of Provisioning Expert for Linux on zSeries 1.1, an automated instance management solution that simplifies the creation, configuration, and maintenance of many virtual Linux instances under z/VM.

To cut costs and optimize performance, organizations are increasingly taking advantage of the virtualization under z/VM to run Linux instances. However, creating Linux guests under z/VM can be challenging because Linux administrators don't understand z/VM and most mainframe administrators don't understand Linux.

Provisioning Expert simplifies the process of placing Linux within the powerful technology of z/VM. Now you can create multiple instances as needed, tailored to fit your unique environment, and manage the instances from a wizard-like interface that's straightforward for both Linux and mainframe experts.

- Eliminate errors with accurate configuration of Linux instances
- Centrally view and manage all Linux instances
- Provide efficient and automated resource utilization
- Reduce management costs by eliminating physical footprints

“As more organizations turn to virtualization, they need a simple, effective way to manage Linux instances,” said Doug Bryan, Mainstar's Vice President of Sales and Marketing. “Automated instance management is the key to fully enjoying the benefits of Linux on zSeries.”

Mainstar will present a webcast on Simplifying and Automating Linux on z/VM at 8:00 AM Pacific Time on March 22nd. Registration is available at www.mainstar.com.

About Mainstar

Mainstar Software Corporation, founded in 1978, provides innovative data access solutions for z/OS environments throughout the U.S.A., Canada, Europe, Australia, and the Asia-Pacific region. We offer outstanding products and services, backed by an extraordinary depth of knowledge and a focus for over 25 years on MVS and large system installations. For more information, please visit www.mainstar.com, e-mail info@mainstar.com, or call (425) 455-3589.

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