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**Minardi Consulting, Inc. partners with Avnet Technology Solutions to provide Oracle's E-Business Suite Applications Software to Small and Medium Sized Businesses.**

*Powerful combination of companies, technology and professional services brings world-class business solutions to customers in the Northeastern US.*

Fairfield, NJ September 2006 – Minardi Consulting, Inc., an Oracle Certified Partner and leading Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Value Added Reseller (VAR), today announced that upon becoming an Avnet Oracle Application Alliance VAR, the company has extended its partnership with Oracle through Avnet Technology Solutions to provide and support Oracle's award-winning product offerings for the Small and Medium-sized Business (SMB) segment.

Minardi Consulting, Inc., in partnership with Avnet and Oracle, offer a unique approach to helping small to mid-sized businesses successfully implement new ERP systems. Oracle's world-class technology, Avnet's Global resources, technology and management experience, and Minardi Consulting's local presence and industry specific experience combines to provide high value for pre-sale, purchase and post-sale services. The services include functional, technical, and CNC support on both JDEdwards World and Enterprise Avnet's Oracle Application Alliance VAR's attend both sales and technical product training on Oracle business applications to enable consistent local, on-site value to ERP customers.

"Having strong local partners who understand the business needs of their clients and who can present Oracle Business Applications is essential to the growth of our company," said Scott Abbott, Vice President of Avnet Technology Solutions. "We are excited to have Minardi Consulting join our Oracle Application Alliance. The success of this Program is key to the continued rapid growth of ERP sales at Avnet and Oracle."

"Our customers continuously call us back to provide them the JDEdwards support they require. We are excited that now we can offer them the opportunity to buy software directly from us in addition to the services. This minimizes our customers' points of contact and makes Minardi

Consulting a true full service JDEdwards provider,” said Rocco Minardi, President of Minardi Consulting Inc.

Designed to meet the specific needs of SMB customers, Oracle’s Business Applications enable companies to manage all key business operations in a single, integrated system, including Customer Relationship Management, Sales Management, Financial Management, Order Management, Manufacturing, Inventory Management, Service and Support, Reporting and Analysis. Oracle’s Applications for small and mid-size businesses deliver enterprise-class applications to the SMB Market at a scale and price that meets their needs. The solution can also be delivered as an on-demand service to provide lower initial costs and faster implementations. For more information about Oracle, visit [www.Oracle.com](http://www.Oracle.com).

### **About Minardi Consulting, Inc.**

#### **Profile**

Minardi Consulting Group and its staff of consultants provides comprehensive system implementation services, while specializing in J.D. Edwards’ software. Having been a J.D. Edwards business partner since 1992, most of our expertise was gained working jointly with the J.D.Edwards’ services organization. We have earned a reputation for excellent service and quality, and our high percentage of repeat business with our clients is the evidence.

We specialize in all facets of the J.D. Edwards’ implementation, including functional consulting, application development, advanced technologies, and customized workshops. We have recognized expertise in both J.D. Edwards’ World and Enterprise One software, with extensive functional and technical understanding of each.

Minardi Consulting Group has over 15 consultants. Each has a minimum of 9 years “hands-on” J.D. Edwards’ experience. Our senior consultants have up to 25 years of IS experience and many have managed IS departments. All of our consultants bring with them industry and corporate backgrounds which enable them to draw upon the collective breadth of experience of our total organization. When coupled with the specific experience of client staff and our alliances, a formidable project team can be rapidly developed to deliver the results you want and expect.

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