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DALLAS, Jan 31, 2002 (BUSINESS WIRE) --

Landmark Graphics, Corp., a wholly owned business unit of Halliburton Company (NYSE:HAL), today announced the release of two industry-leading technologies, ProMAX(TM) and VIP(TM), for the Linux operating system. Linux versions of ProMAX for seismic processing and VIP for reservoir simulation provide valuable price-performance customer benefits. E&P customers can now achieve supercomputer-level productivity and processing through these cost-effective IT configurations.

"Linux provides another opportunity for Landmark innovation to contribute to maximizing E&P customer value," said John Gibson, president and CEO of Landmark. "Products for seismic processing and reservoir simulation that leverage massively parallel Linux clusters are natural candidates for creating significant price-performance customer benefits."

Users have the option of supporting their own IT environments or opting for hosted services from Landmark's GrandBasin services unit. In either case, the new ProMAX and VIP solutions for the Linux OS provide industry-leading capabilities that maximize IT performance while minimizing capital expenditures. Broad support of Linux by the leading hardware, software and data storage providers, including Compaq, Dell, EMC, IBM, Intel, Network Appliances and Oracle, results in an opportunity for the E&P industry to fully realize substantial price-performance benefits not previously available.

The Linux solutions for ProMAX and VIP broaden the choices available to build the most scalable, cost-effective supercomputing environments for highly compute-intensive reservoir problems. Linux solutions for ProMAX and VIP typify value-benefit opportunities that global customers can expect from Landmark's Linux solutions.

"Landmark's delivery of ProMAX and VIP applications for the Linux OS paves the way for large-scale Linux clusters, ensuring access to high-performance, process-intensive technologies for companies of any size," said Murray Roth, vice president of Landmark's Exploration and Development Systems Group. "A seismic processing contractor or E&P company can scale up its IT capabilities to productively handle large surveys through compute-intensive processes."

ProMAX and VIP are just the initial phase of Landmark's Linux deployment. Through the delivery of comprehensive, integrated E&P technology on the Linux platform, Landmark continues to provide innovation and price-performance value creation for its customers.

Landmark is the leading supplier of software and services for the upstream oil and gas industry. The company's software solutions span exploration, production, drilling, business decision analysis and data management. Landmark offers a broad range of consulting services that enable customers to optimize their technical, business and decision processes. Visit the Landmark Web site at www.lgc.com for more information.

Halliburton Company, founded in 1919, is one of the world's leading providers of products and services to the petroleum and energy industries. The company serves its customers with a broad range of products and services through its Energy Services Group and Engineering and Construction Group business segments. The company's World Wide Web site can be accessed at www.halliburton.com.

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