

## **ACIS® - A solution with a human side**

Halifax, Nova Scotia, March 7, 2002 - Coemergence's Acquisition and Competitor Intelligence System (ACIS)™ is a powerful M&A-based business solution which helps companies contextualize information, inform strategic decisions, and support a clear path to action.

"Business needs a breakthrough solution that makes sense of the rich mass of 'informal' information in each company," comments Michael Chender, Coemergence CEO. "And to deliver this information to the right people in the right context."

ACIS® is a highly specialized tool designed to facilitate and augment the collection and analysis of published and human intelligence. This information is placed in context in the system, providing early opportunity and threat alerts to acquisition, divestment, portfolio analysis, strategic planning, and competitive intelligence professionals.

"ACIS® provides an effective and comprehensive solution while maintaining a simple and easy to use environment," affirms Cameron Kelly, Coemergence CTO. "An intuitive navigation structure allows new users to get to work on the system immediately while integrating the complexity that 'power-users' demand."

Standard web security protocols allow ACIS® to coexist compatibly with other established corporate security protocols and policies. User and role-based security models ensure maximum information sharing while protecting sensitive information.

The thin-client application utilizes 100 percent server-side Java, runs on Windows and Solaris platforms and supports Oracle, SQL Server and DB2 database environments to meet the needs of both small and large organizations enterprise-wide.

The entire application resides on the client's server and leverages existing corporate investments.

"ACIS® is based on open Internet standards and proven technologies ensuring compatibility with the broadest range of corporate environments," adds Kelly. "It more than meets the reliability and performance standards that organizations demand."

ACIS® v.2.5 for mining and ACIS® v.3.0 for oil and gas are built on the patent-pending Opportunity Discovery and Action Support™ methodology, an approach for identifying early warning signals of M&A events, relating them to technical and financial data on specific targets, opportunities and competitors.

ACIS® is available directly from Coemergence Inc., bringing together skills in database development, creative information solutions, collaborative systems, mergers and acquisitions, and strategic consulting. For more information, contact the company at [info@coemergence.com](mailto:info@coemergence.com) or visit the Coemergence Web site at [www.coemergence.com](http://www.coemergence.com).

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