

PRESS RELEASE

Sage Software Announces Availability Of

Sage BusinessVision 7.0 In The U.S.

Major upgrade “perfect fit” for many growing small businesses, with over 100 advanced feature enhancements, improved User Interface, Database, Reporting features, and increased support for Third-Party Applications

Pleasanton, Calif. - November 15, 2005 - Sage Software announced today that the new U.S. version of its award-winning business management solution for growing small businesses, Sage BusinessVision 7.0, is now available. This release includes over 100 enhancements to the application, such as expanded database tables and fields, a new user interface for improved ease-of-use, a new database for faster performance, better data management capabilities, and easier third-party application integration, plus extensive new reporting features.

Sage BusinessVision 7.0 gives small businesses a comprehensive suite of business management functions that allows them to automate processes throughout their business operations, including receivables, payables, inventory, payroll, job costing, and point-of-sale, among many others. Its advanced functionality and easy to use features makes it an ideal choice for companies that have outgrown the limitations of entry-level bookkeeping software such as Intuit QuickBooks®. The system is not only more comprehensive than entry-level solutions, it is also affordably priced—the Standard Edition includes all 18 modules, and can support five users for under \$5,500 (USD).

“Sage BusinessVision 7.0 offers growing small businesses an affordable, easy-to-use business management solution,” said Craig Downing, Sage Software vice president and general manager for Sage Accpac. “This product effectively serves a niche for small businesses that have outgrown their entry-level accounting systems, but don’t yet require all the features or sophistication of a typical mid-market ERP application, such as Sage Accpac ERP.”

“With the ability to automate key business processes such as receivables, payables, inventory, payroll, job costing and point-of-sale, Sage BusinessVision 7.0 is an ideal business management application for growing small companies that have simply outgrown the limited capabilities of their entry-level accounting applications,” said Barry Genaske, a Sage BusinessVision business partner and owner of Great Hills Management Systems, located in San Marcos, TX.

Genaske continued, “We’re glad to see this version’s improved user interface features, such as expanded text fields and record sizes, and extended capability for adding descriptions. Its advanced customer, inventory and order entry enhancements are also excellent, and we believe our clients will be eager to deploy this major upgrade.”

“We believe Sage BusinessVision 7.0 provides SMBs with an outstanding new array of enhancements and easy to use business management tools,” said Jim Young, another Sage BusinessVision business partner, and president of Compu-Solutions, located in Martinez, CA. “This new version will help improve our clients’ business and customer service operations, and they’ll see tangible results the minute they begin to use it.”

Pricing and Availability

Sage BusinessVision 7.0 Standard Edition (US), which includes 18 accounting and business management modules, and supports either five or ten users, is now available through authorized Sage Software/Sage BusinessVision Solution Providers across the U.S. starting at an SRP of \$5,495 (USD) for the five user system. The Client Server (>10 users), Small Business (up to three users), and Limited (one user) Editions are also now available in U.S., at SRPs of \$9,995 (USD), \$2,495 (USD), and \$995 (USD), respectively.

Sage BusinessVision 7.0 U.S. is also available via an 'a la carte' on-premises deployment subscription program. Businesses can rent the software (choosing whatever module configurations desired) for as long as they desire, with subscriptions starting as low as \$85 (USD) per month. Subscribers receive technical support, and all updates for their system through the life of their subscription.

About Sage Software (formerly Best Software)

Sage Software offers leading business management software and services that support the needs, challenges and dreams of more than 2.4 million small and mid-sized business customers in North America. Its parent company, The Sage Group plc (London: SGE.L), supports 4.5 million customers worldwide. For more than 25 years, Sage Software has delivered easy-to-use, scalable and customizable software for accounting, customer relationship management, human resources, time tracking and the specialized needs of accounting practices and the construction, distribution, manufacturing, nonprofit and real estate industries. For more information, please visit the Compu-Solutions Web site at www.bvwest.com or call (925) 372-5954.