

Sapphire signs up to BASDA Green Charter

Sapphire Systems is one of the first BASDA members to be a Green Charter signatory

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LONDON, UK – 13 October 2008. Sapphire is pleased to announce that it is among the first BASDA members to sign up to the BASDA Green Charter launched today.

The BASDA Green Charter covers four main areas: a commitment for software companies themselves to strive to be more carbon efficient; a pledge to deliver software innovations to drive customers' carbon efficiency; a strategy to work with other relevant bodies to create common standards to aid rapid action; an acknowledgement of the role BASDA and its members must play in increasing awareness around the issues and solutions. The Green Charter is supported by a BASDA special interest group focused purely on green issues which links with the other BASDA groups covering topics such as logistics and e-business.

Ian Caswell, Sapphire's Managing Director, said "We are pleased to support BASDA on this important initiative. At Sapphire we endeavour to be environmentally aware, for example by recycling as much as possible, fully utilising our servers and having lighting on motion sensors."

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About Sapphire Systems plc

Sapphire is an SAP Gold partner, the worlds leading reseller of SunSystems, and a leading Proactis partner. Since 1986, Sapphire has offered customers wide-ranging practical expertise in selecting and implementing advanced financial accounting and business management solutions and today provides software, services and support for hundreds of customers worldwide from their offices in London, Manchester and the USA. Sapphire is a founder member of the British Application Software Developers Association and is featured in the Deloitte & Touche Fast 500 Technology rankings.

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About BASDA

BASDA was founded in 1993 and today acts as the voice of the UK-based business software industry. BASDA represents IT organisations of all sizes from the world's largest business software suppliers through to UK headquartered medium and small sized businesses. For the last 15 years, BASDA has been working with governments, standards and policy-making groups in the UK, Europe and worldwide to provide a forum for collaboration to resolve issues that affect the business software industry and our customers. BASDA provides independent news, opinion and commentary from its position as a non-profit making organisation that represents the collective voice of the UK-based business software industry on behalf of its members. BASDA also produces whitepapers and reports on current legislation and changes that affect the software industry. BASDA is a member-driven organisation with established special interest groups (SIGs) covering Financials, HR & Payroll, Taxation & Final Accounts, eBusiness, Construction, Logistics and Green issues.

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