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Vertex Introduces a Remedy for Tax Management Pain
Vertex Analysis and Planning Solutions help tax professionals strategically leverage their tax data to enhance the bottom line

BERWYN, PA, November 17, 2003 – Vertex Inc. (www.vertexinc.com), the world's leading provider of tax technology solutions, today announced a new suite of management and data analysis tools that enable companies to better leverage sales tax data.

Vertex Analysis and Planning Solutions (APS) is comprised of three web-based applications that increase the effectiveness of the tax department by enabling professionals to quickly reach the value of their tax data and use this knowledge for strategic tax planning.

Tax professionals using the Analysis and Planning Solutions suite, which is compatible with Vertex Sales Tax Q Series™ version 3.1, can sort and group complex tax data according to specific auditor or business requirements. Tax professionals can use multiple APS data views or templates to easily share selected data with management and peers.

“APS perfectly complements Vertex Sales Tax Q Series by letting users define views of tax data on an as-needed basis, providing tax professionals with timely information and allowing companies to maintain tax compliance,” says David Leifer, Vertex Director of Emerging Tax Compliance. “APS provides reporting that is essential to strategic tax decision making and provides the data

in a format to anticipate future audit concerns allowing the tax professional to work towards reducing their potential impact. The addition of APS enhances our sales tax portfolio by integrating robust and flexible management tools with our traditional sales tax calculation offerings.”

The Analysis and Planning Solutions suite includes three applications that increase the productivity and effectiveness of the tax department:

- Vertex Tax Reporter™ – provides quick access to standard reports
- Vertex Tax Analyst™ – provides several templates for preparation of audits and reconciliation with financial systems that can be easily customized based on your needs
- Vertex Tax Strategist™ – permits fully customizable reports and provides customizable tax gauges to proactively monitor daily activities

“APS makes it easy for tax professionals to analyze data and make intelligent decisions based on their individual parameters,” says, Gerry Hurley, VP of Marketing at Vertex. “Using APS, the tax department is no longer resigned to being reactive, but can identify inefficiencies before they become too large to handle in an audit or disrupt a process in your organization.”

For more information about APS and how it can be integrated into your business, contact a Vertex Sales Representative at 800-355-3500. You can also learn more by visiting the Vertex web site at vertexinc.com.

About Vertex Inc.

Vertex Inc., the leading provider of tax technology solutions, serves more than 10,000 customers worldwide. Vertex solutions automate processes and enhance decision information across every major line of business tax including income, sales, consumer use, value added, communications, payroll and property. To

serve its customers, Vertex works in partnership with leading software and service providers, including SAP, Oracle, Microsoft, IBM and PeopleSoft.

Founded in 1978, Vertex is a privately held company that employs 600 professionals at its headquarters in Berwyn, PA and offices in Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Sarasota and Washington, DC.

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