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DAUGHERTY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS EARNS COVETED MICROSOFT GOLD CERTIFIED PARTNER STATUS

St. Louis, Missouri, February 19, 2008 –Daugherty Business Solutions, a leader in providing innovative technology solutions to meet business demands, announces its third year in the Microsoft Gold Certified Partner Program, the highest level within the Microsoft Certified Partners Program. As a Gold Certified partner, Daugherty Business Solutions has demonstrated expertise with Microsoft technologies and proven ability to meet customers' needs. Daugherty earned Microsoft Competencies in three categories:

- Custom Development Solutions
- Data Management Solutions
- Mobility Solutions

Microsoft Competencies are designed to help differentiate a Partner's capabilities with specific Microsoft technologies to customers looking for a particular type of solution. Each competency has a unique set of requirements and benefits, formulated to accurately represent the specific skills and services that Partners bring to the technology industry.

"We are extremely pleased with our long-term relationship with Microsoft and the value our partnership brings to our clients," said Ron Daugherty, president and CEO of Daugherty Business Solutions.

The **Microsoft Custom Development Solutions** is designed for technology partners who provide custom-developed solutions to customers who require value-added capabilities to optimize business and operational effectiveness. This competency is primarily for partners who develop with Microsoft Visual Studio 2005, Visual Studio Tools for Office, SQL Server, Windows Server 2003, BizTalk, Windows XP, and Microsoft Office 2003. Areas of specialization for this competency are Application Server Environment Development, Smart Client Development, and Web Development.

The **Microsoft Data Management Solutions** competency with **Business Intelligence** specialization is designed for technology partners with proven competency in implementing Microsoft SQL Server solutions that feature data warehousing, business intelligence, online

analytical processing (OLAP), data mining, and decision support. Areas of specialization for this competency are Business Intelligence and Database Solutions.

The **Microsoft Mobility Competency** is designed for technology partners with expertise in developing and deploying Microsoft Windows Mobile-based solutions and applications using Microsoft tools and software. This includes mobility systems integrators, custom application developers, mobility independent software vendors, consultants, and mobile solutions resellers. Microsoft Gold Certified Partners receive a rich set of benefits, including access to many of the corporation's exclusive resources and early product information. These include priority access to a support team of Microsoft certified systems engineers and non-disclosure evaluation of new products and technologies.

ABOUT DAUGHERTY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS: Since 1985, Daugherty Business Solutions (www.daugherty.com) has helped companies achieve their business objectives through the integration of business processes and leading technologies. Daugherty's partnering approach, proven methods, and team of 500 business and technical experts enables the firm to provide world-class custom application development, business intelligence, mobile, and ERP solutions. Daugherty provides end-to-end technology services from its development centers in St. Louis, Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, and Minneapolis/St. Paul and has successfully implemented large-scale projects for many Fortune 500 companies including Allstate (NYSE: ALL), Anheuser-Busch (NYSE: BUD), Monsanto (NYSE: MON), The Home Depot (NYSE: HD).

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