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ActiveBatch® IT Automation Debuts Microsoft System Center Orchestrator 2012 Support, Dynamics AX Enhancements

*New Capabilities Enable Users to Integrate More Fully With Two of
Microsoft's Most Popular Enterprise Business Solutions*

MICROSOFT MANAGEMENT SUMMIT 2013, LAS VEGAS – (April 8, 2013) – [Advanced Systems Concepts](http://Advanced Systems Concepts, Inc.), Inc. (ASCI), maker of ActiveBatch® IT Automation Without BoundariesSM, today announced enhanced automation capabilities for Microsoft environments with the release of the latest version of ActiveBatch. Featuring new integration with Microsoft System Center Orchestrator 2012 and major improvements to the existing Microsoft Dynamics AX Extension, ActiveBatch further unifies “point” scheduling tools to provide IT organizations with a unified automation solution for both business and IT operational processes.

By deepening support for two of Microsoft Corp's leading enterprise packages, the latest version of ActiveBatch addresses the growing needs of Microsoft customers to automate a broad range of process types and the ability to integrate those processes across disparate platforms and applications. Specific additions and features include:

- **ActiveBatch Extension and Integration Pack for System Center Orchestrator 2012:** New two-way System Center Orchestrator integration allows System Center users to augment the runbook automation capabilities of System Center Orchestrator with the job scheduling and workload automation capabilities found in ActiveBatch. The [ActiveBatch Extension for Orchestrator](#) allows IT organizations to schedule and run System Center Orchestrator Runbooks from within ActiveBatch—as well as for ActiveBatch Jobs to be directly accessed and triggered from within System Center Orchestrator using the Integration Pack. As the newest conduit for Microsoft Systems Center integration, the Orchestrator Extension joins existing [Extensions for Systems Center Operations Manager](#), [Service Manager](#) and [Virtual Machine Manager](#).
- **Improved Capabilities for Microsoft Dynamics AX Extension:** Building on the ActiveBatch [Dynamics AX Extension](#) announced [last October](#), the enhanced version offers a number of improvements and refinements. Now users can more dynamically schedule and automate Microsoft Dynamics AX batch processes and integrate them throughout the

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enterprise with process types from other applications and data sources. Additionally, new Job Steps simplify the automation and management of build and release processes for Microsoft Dynamics AX environments.

“More than ever before, ActiveBatch is now the ideal automation solution for IT organizations operating in heterogeneous environments,” said Jim Manias, Vice President of Marketing and Sales for Advanced Systems Concepts, Inc. “Our goal with ActiveBatch is to [conquer automation boundaries](#) wherever they occur. The powerful Extensions better equip Microsoft enterprise customers not only within their specific application spheres, but also throughout the enterprise regardless of applications, databases, operating systems, infrastructure or geography.”

Commenting on the ActiveBatch Extension for Dynamics AX, Steve Marchetti, Integration Architect at global construction engineering and project management company [AMEC](#), said, “Using the traditional utilities to schedule the update of our Microsoft Dynamics AX environments was tedious and complex with no way to view the return value or log files. The ActiveBatch Extension for Dynamics AX allows us to consolidate multiple command line and batch scripts and replace them with a single ActiveBatch Job Step—one that provides an interface to simply drag and drop it into the workflow. It’s saving us time, improving productivity, and has made the execution of these processes far more reliable.”

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