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Serials Solutions Joins eXtensible Catalog Project

Seattle, WA – July 2, 2009 The University of Rochester River Campus Libraries announce that Serials Solutions, a leader in providing technology solutions for libraries, has joined the eXtensible Catalog (XC) Project -- an Andrew W. Mellon Foundation funded project currently underway at the University's River Campus Libraries. Serials Solutions' involvement is both technical and financial. The additional funding for the eXtensible Catalog Project by Serials Solutions reflects the company's commitment to supporting the development of a common open-source framework for enhancing and enriching metadata for libraries and other cultural institutions. Serials Solutions believes that the XC software holds much potential for providing a standard platform for metadata enrichment across a variety of products and applications, both open-source and commercial.

About Serials Solutions

Founded in 2000 by a librarian for librarians, Serials Solutions is the global leader in E-Resource Access and Management Services (ERAMS) that serves more than 2,000 libraries of all sizes and types. Serials Solutions® KnowledgeWorks, the authoritative e-resource knowledgebase, is the foundation for Serials Solutions® 360, the only complete and integrated e-resource access and management solution.

About the eXtensible Catalog

The XC system currently in development will provide libraries with open-source tools and software that will allow libraries to expand their current roles. Library content, both traditional and digital, can easily be integrated in other systems, including Content and Learning Management Systems. The XC system will empower libraries to create customized discovery systems and solutions for their users needs.

XC is being created through a collaborative design and development process with a team of developers at the University of Rochester and at partner institutions. XC will be compatible with a range of integrated library systems and centralized authentication services, will support multiple metadata formats and will deliver a customizable next-generation user interface. The University of Rochester is in the process of forming a not-for-profit organization to support the XC software and its users. More information about the eXtensible Catalog is available at www.extensiblecatalog.org.

About the University of Rochester

The University of Rochester (www.rochester.edu) is one of the nation's leading private universities. Located in Rochester, N.Y., the University gives students exceptional opportunities for interdisciplinary study and close collaboration with faculty through its unique cluster-based curriculum. Its College of Arts, Sciences, and Engineering is complemented by the Eastman School of Music, Simon School of Business, Warner School of Education, Laboratory for Laser Energetics, Schools of Medicine and Nursing, and the Memorial Art Gallery.

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