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### **DataSys hosts educational seminar on Dynamics GP Release 10**

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On Thursday, September 20th, almost twenty customers turned out for DataSys' latest seminar, "Get Ready for Your Great Plains Upgrade." The event began with a slide entitled "Let's Pray," and the slide depicted the Red Sox's dwindling lead over the Yankees. At the time of this press release, we recognize that the state of the Nation has changed, but as of the seminar, attendees and presenters were maintaining the faith.

The seminar began with an update by DataSys President, Lisa Daigle, on the Great Plains roadmap. Release 10 has been available since June 2007, and Release 11 is earmarked for the summer of 2009. Support for Release 8 has been extended to October 2009.

Tom Desrosier, Applications Consultant, then continued by highlighting the importance of planning an upgrade. Tom and Joe Mottolo, DataSys' System Engineer, have developed a new planning guide that concisely conveys the planning steps and identifies the responsibilities of DataSys and customers alike.

Michael Newman, Senior Engagement Manager, discussed the rationale for upgrading to Release 9 versus Release 10. He recommended that customers migrate to Release 10, assuming they can deploy the required hardware. Additionally, Mike conveyed that Release 10 capitalizes on technologies, such as Microsoft Office Sharepoint Server (MOSS) and SQL Server Reporting Services (SSRS). Without those technologies, Release 10 still offers many new improvements, although the technologies are required for certain reporting enhancements.

David Laster, Applications Consultant, reviewed the way that security has been overhauled in Release 10. The security changes are more complex, but necessary, given some of the risks in today's computing environment. David set the expectation that there will likely be service packs that address some of the initial glitches with the new security architecture.

Tracy Bohush, Applications Consultant, provided the main draw: a demo of Release 10. She demonstrated how most of the new features pertain to changes with the interface, whether that's enhanced navigation while in a window or an improved shortcut area. She pointed out that Microsoft regularly posts a "Feature of the Day" (FOD) on its CustomerSource portal. The attached FOD outlines improved functionality with 1099 reporting.

According to Mirror-Image Internet, Inc. controller, Bob Andrews, "The event highlighted our upgrade options for Great Plains Release 9 versus 10 in the easy and friendly manner that DataSys does so well, along with clarifying what to expect from the upgrade process. DataSys always presents the pro's and con's of any issues we might have with Great Plains, so I'm confident we are ultimately making the right decisions for our company."

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