

Integrate COBOL and XML in a matter of minutes

CANAM SOFTWARE releases DTD and new XML facet support for *XML Thunder*

MISSISSAUGA, Canada, March 28, 2006 - Canam Software Labs Inc. (Canam Software), a leading global application development solutions company for enterprise systems, released today its latest release of *XML Thunder*, its popular XML integration tool for COBOL and C applications. This latest version has significant productivity improvements for XML-enabling legacy or new COBOL and C applications.

What is XML Thunder?

XML Thunder is the most cost-effective development tool for quickly and effectively integrating XML and COBOL or C applications. Utilizing a visual data mapping tool and a powerful code generator, enterprises can easily enable COBOL or C programs to consume or create XML documents.

Agility and faster time-to-market now are extended to DTDs when XML-enabling applications

The new release of *XML Thunder* brings even more agility when XML-enabling applications. A number of significant features have been introduced in this latest release of *XML Thunder*. The new ability of *XML Thunder* to process Document Type Definitions (DTDs), in addition to its well established ability to process XML schemas, has opened up new opportunities for clients utilizing DTDs. *XML Thunder's* visual design and powerful code generation can now be used to solve DTD based XML integration challenges that previously were only available for XML schemas.

New XML facet support continues to demonstrate Canam Software's commitment to on-going highly productive automation of XML-COBOL integration

The new *XML Thunder* release introduces support for the XML nillable and enumeration facets. These newly supported XML features complete the already available list of sophisticated XML processing capabilities of *XML Thunder*. Some of these are XML node optionality, extensibility, XML choice, white space handling options, and namespace, just to mention the most important ones. With this release, Canam Software continues to bring even more automation to COBOL and C applications utilizing XML.

XML-enabling COBOL legacy code in minutes

Existing COBOL programs can be easily XML-enabled using an easy to use wizard guiding developers through all required steps. The result is extreme productivity and fast time-to-market.

Platform independent solution

XML Thunder generates the XML integration logic as standard COBOL and ANSI C code, compatible with all major compilers. This allows *XML Thunder* generated code to be deployed on virtually any platform using these languages.

Support for IBM's XML PARSE

XML Thunder is fully compatible with IBM's XML PARSE statement and, optionally, will generate code invoking it while still handling optional and extensible nodes, data binding, pattern conversions and a number of other conditions, thus eliminating the need for manual development.

About Canam Software

Canam Software Labs, Inc. is a Mississauga, Canada based global Information Technology Solutions Company providing innovative application development products and services to blue chip organizations around the world. Canam Software Labs, Inc. was incorporated in 1994. Over 200 clients use Canam Software products now in 43 countries. The company focuses on XML integration and application reporting solutions to maximize value of existing and new applications. Please visit the XML Thunder web-site to learn how this innovative and cost effective tool can help your business: <http://www.xmlthunder.com>.