

## Arkipelago Announces Release of ROME™ 3.9 Software

*Toronto, Canada, September 15, 2005 --- Arkipelago, the innovative international software provider, today released version 3.9 of its ROME™ Software. Significant features of the product include enhanced versatility and flexibility to help operators plan, deploy and manage networks in a fast-changing environment.*

ROME™ is a powerful and flexible tool for network planning and inventory management, storing critical data for the efficient management of multi-technology and multi-vendor networks. It is a central component in OSS environments providing accurate topology data necessary for the smooth operations of the network.

Release 3.9 provides customers with the following value added features:

- **Oracle 9i support.** In keeping with the evolution of the database technology provided by our partner, Oracle, Arkipelago now provides full support for Oracle 9i Release 2 (9.2.x.x). Matching versions of Oracle Client for Windows and all server platforms are supported.
- **Context-sensitive Help.** Help buttons have been added to every dialog across ROME™ to retrieve the help topic for the open item, thereby simplifying the operation of the system for customers.
- **Data Communication Tool Improvements.**
  - DCT now supports XML data files for import and export, enabling XML files to be opened and mapped to ROME™ data structures. This greatly increases the power and applicability of DCT. XML files support schema creation and validation (this feature can be suppressed on demand).
  - Output logs with rejected items are also stored in XML format.
  - An improved interface is available for standard text and MS Excel file types.
  - The preview feature is enabled. DCT can be set to ignore file and column headers, or to import a section of the file delimited by start and end tokens.
- **Renaming Basic Types.** New functionality permits the renaming of ROME™ basic type kinds (Node, Link, Path, Collection, System, Type, and Instance). Users can specify new names for each of the objects in singular and plural forms, which are then displayed across ROME™ in all menu items, error messages etc.

"Release 3.9 continues the process of product improvement to meet our customers' needs." says Tim O'Hara, President and CEO. "Arkipelago is committed to delivery of enhancements that increase the scope of application of ROME™ within a service provider while ensuring that we avoid falling into the trap of delivering increased product complexity. Our business will continue to be successful only through the continuous delivery of value to our customers."

ROME™ 3.9 is now available from Arkipelago and its resellers. Inquiries can be directed to Arkipelago by contacting [sales@arkipelago.com](mailto:sales@arkipelago.com).

### **About Arkipelago**

Arkipelago is a leading software developer supplying solutions for network planning and inventory management. Its premier product ROME™ enables its customers to deliver cost-efficient, high speed services based on next generation technology. ROME™ is used by telecommunications carriers and network operators in Europe, the Americas and Asia-Pacific including British Telecom, Energis, MobilCom, NTL, Orange, and StarHub. Founded in 1989, Arkipelago operates from offices in Toronto, Canada and Stockholm, Sweden. Visit Arkipelago at [www.arkipelago.com](http://www.arkipelago.com).

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