

## News Release

### **WELLPOINT SYSTEMS ANNOUNCES KEY HIRE TO LEAD NEXT PHASE OF U.S. EXPANSION**

CALGARY, Alberta, April 1, 2005 – WellPoint Systems Inc. ("WellPoint") (TSX-V:WPS) today announced that it has engaged Daniel McGrath to manage its Houston-based location and further develop the company's aggressive expansion into the U.S. marketplace. With the addition of more than half a dozen clients in just under eighteen months, the Company believes that it has established a level of momentum that warrants additional investment in both sales and technical resources, which can solidify WellPoint's growing presence south of the border.

Mr. McGrath has an extremely successful track record in working with growth-oriented software companies such as Primus and IM-Age Software. He brings a wealth of experience to the WellPoint team in terms of knowledge of the U.S. market and most importantly, the geography as it relates to the Oil & Gas industry. In his new capacity, Mr. McGrath will have responsibility for both business development and the evolution of the local team required to support the growing U.S. customer base.

"WellPoint's expansion into the U.S. remains one of our most critical priorities for 2005", says Tom Mawhinney, Vice President of Sales & Marketing for WellPoint Systems. "The addition of Dan McGrath to the WellPoint team represents the next stage of a resource strategy designed to replicate the tremendous success that our company has enjoyed in the Canadian market. We are extremely excited to have a proven performer like Dan join our company and take on a role that is absolutely critical to the future of our company."

#### **About WellPoint Systems Inc.**

WellPoint Systems provides premier software and related services for managing Upstream, Midstream and Financial Oil & Gas operations. Aligning tightly with Microsoft Corporation, WellPoint is the only Independent Software Vendor (ISV) and Microsoft Business Solutions (MBS) partner in the Oil & Gas sector. It is breaking new ground with the creation of a more comprehensive, integrated Oil & Gas software suite based on existing Microsoft ERP technology that utilizes state-of-the-art Axapta® and .NET architecture.

Founded in 1997, Calgary based WellPoint Systems also has operations in Houston, Texas through its subsidiary company, WellPoint Systems, Inc.

WellPoint is publicly traded on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol WPS.

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