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## **Wombat Consulting Announces Universal Market Data Feed Handler Suite**

*Incline Village, NV - June 11, 2001* - Wombat Consulting, Inc. an independent software consulting and development company announced today the release of Version 2.0 of its universal market data feed handler suite. The software suite is designed to help market data users dramatically cut the costs of real time market data, while improving reliability and flexibility of data delivery to applications.

Real time market data has traditionally been brought to trading and brokerage firms via third party vendors and/or by tapping the expertise of in-house development staff to develop direct feed handler software. With this release, the Wombat feed handler suite allows companies to get receive directly from US stock and options exchanges and ECNs, without the overhead and expense of third party data vendors, while also saving valuable in-house resources for more strategic development projects.

While Wombat's universal market data feed handler suite works seamlessly with Reuters/TIBCO environments, its internal architecture is robust and independent of any specific data source and publishing environment. Publishing into custom, in-house market data ticker plants is easily accomplished through the use of a simple programming interface. The feed handlers come complete with numerous application management and monitoring capabilities and utilities.

The universal market data feed handler suite includes feed handlers for the following real time market data sources:

- NASDAQ Level 1, NTDS, and NQDS (Level 2)
- CTS and CQS (NYSE, AMEX and regional stock exchanges)
- OPRA (US options exchanges)
- NYSE OpenBook (NYSE order book status)

Other market data feed handlers, including many for ECNs, are planned for release in the near future. Source code for the feed handler suite is available.

For more information about the Universal Market Data Feed Handler Suite, please contact Wombat at +1.775.745.2100, or on the web at <http://wombatfs.com>.