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Sirius Achieves IBM Industry Solutions Specialties for Retail and Insurance, as well as Cross-Capability Specialty for Security

*Certification Recognizes Industry-Specific Solutions and Cross-Industry Capabilities
Combining IBM Software, Sirius Intellectual Property and Proven Best Practices*

San Antonio, TX – 31 May 2011 - [Sirius Computer Solutions](http://www.siriuscom.com), Inc., an IBM Premier Business Partner in the U.S., has achieved the IBM Industry Solution Specialty for its solutions created specifically for and implemented by clients in the insurance and retail industries. Sirius has also been recognized with the IBM Cross-Capability Solution Specialty for its Security Assessment, Remediation and Compliance solution. Sirius is among the first IBM Business Partners to be recognized with these advanced certifications.

The Sirius **eCommerce for Retail** solution is based on IBM® WebSphere® Commerce, which has been consistently rated by third-party analysts as the best and most robust eCommerce platform on the planet. Additional components may include IBM Cognos® for insightful reports and dashboards on things like shopper behavior and campaign effectiveness; Lotus® Connections; WebSphere MQ; WebSphere ESB; and various third-party social solutions such as Bazaarvoice, Facebook, Twitter, etc., enabling Sirius clients to exploit the virtues of social technologies to drive significant success through their Web presence. >> [Learn more about the eCommerce solutions for retail companies.](#)

The Sirius **Systems & Process Modernization for Insurance** solution modernizes system user interfaces, architecture and processes, providing for improved agility, usability, manageability and supportability, using a variety of products from the IBM WebSphere product family and leveraging the Sirius Legacy Integration Framework for the Enterprise (LIFE) to simplify integration with RPG and COBOL code running on the IBM i operating system. >> [Learn more about Modernization solutions for insurance companies.](#)

In addition to the two Industry Solutions, the company also achieved a Specialty designation for the Sirius **Security Assessment, Remediation and Compliance (SARC)** solution. With the SARC solution, enterprises large and small can ensure that their systems and infrastructure comply with industry and government regulations through the consistent application of industry best practices. SARC provides a comprehensive approach to security that, when used, protects data, applications, infrastructure, physical assets and users from threats that can compromise proprietary data, customer data, and essential business processes. >> [Learn more about our Security, Assessment, Remediation and Compliance solutions.](#)

Sirius is in the process of submitting four additional solutions for Industry Solutions Specialty certification at IBM, including Cloud Computing, Social Computing, and two unique solutions in Healthcare.

"We've built industry-specific and cross-capability practices with solution architects and engineers who understand best practices in—and are leaders in—each of these respective spaces," said [Joe Mertens, president of Sirius](#). "These solution offerings are the result of Sirius' development of best practices and intellectual property, which will allow us to help clients drive down their cost of implementation and support as well as shorten their time-to-market."

According to Darrin Nelson, vice president, Sirius Software Sales, "Sirius began investing heavily in the software solutions space in 2007. The formalization of these solution offerings is a major milestone in the evolution of our business, and highlights the fact that Sirius is not just a technology solution provider, but a business solution provider. It takes the value of what we can provide for our customers to a new level."

About Sirius: Sirius is a national IT solution provider and IBM Premier Business Partner dedicated to helping clients implement advanced infrastructure solutions that provide a competitive advantage and a positive return on investment. For more information about Sirius, visit www.siriuscom.com.

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