

## Calendar of Events

- February 6-9, 2009  
World of Concrete  
Convention in Las  
Vegas, NV
- March 10-13, 2009  
Convergence in  
New Orleans, LA
- March 17, 2009  
Executive Briefing
- April 21, 2009  
Feature Pack 1  
Webinar

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### Microsoft 0% Financing Ends Soon

Microsoft is listening to businesses and responding to your concerns, by actively enabling you to preserve your capital resources in the current economic situation while making important strategic investments in your future.

With the Microsoft Dynamics 0% Financing Promotion on new ERP solutions, we can help your organization acquire powerful business assets that pay off in the near term and over the long-haul by helping you drive productivity,

maximize efficiency and adapt and grow your business in today's fast-changing market. Payments are spread over 36 months.

But hurry and call Cardamel today at 1-888-236-3269 to take advantage of this deal. This offer ends March 20, 2009.



### Accounting Regulatory Compliance Shouldn't Give You a Headache

If you've been watching the news or reading the paper lately, it should come as no surprise that stricter accounting regulatory oversight is coming soon from entities such as the Securities and Exchange Commission and Public Company Accounting Oversight Board. Increased scrutiny of financial institutions and stricter accounting procedures are the expected outcomes.

You can be prepared for these expected regulations by utilizing your Dynamics solution. With Dynamics, you will have a system that will make compliance with new regulations an outgrowth of existing features rather than the painstaking process of converting hand-scrawled financials or having your accounts within entry-level software.

In addition, Microsoft Dynamics provides high-complex security protection and the ability to develop complete audit trails, approvals and safeguards against errors. Seamless connections with other Microsoft applications create consistent, smooth communication of information and data preventing data loss when transferring from one application to another.

Automated compliance process and proce-



**Get Your Accounting Solution Up-to-Date Before it Becomes a Headache**

dures are included in Microsoft Dynamics and a regular stream of information and alert updates from Microsoft keep your system up-to-date.

Be ready for the changes and contact your Cardamel representative today to find out if you are ready for the changes taking place and get your business 'audit-ready' now and stay ahead of the curve. Call us at 1-888-236-3269 or go online to [www.cardamel.com](http://www.cardamel.com).

### Tips and Tricks

For 2009, resolve to stop using Smartlists in Microsoft Dynamics GP 10 to send data to Excel. While Smartlist is a great feature for reporting, often it is used to export data to Excel instead. With Excel Reports and Excel Report Builder, you can have reporting functionality that connects live with the data in GP. This means that you don't have to keep re-sending your data to Excel every time data is updated. The Excel spreadsheet will be updated automatically.

### Shortcuts Aren't the Answer When Upgrading to Microsoft Dynamics GP 10

Considering making the move to upgrade to Microsoft Dynamics GP 10? While the new features can benefit your company operations, improve productivity and reduce costs, skipping over the test environments and other preparatory work can lead to headaches for your business.

The first thing to consider when upgrading is to skip the RTM CDs and download the latest Feature Pack 1 DVD image. It is easier to perform upgrades and new installations from the Microsoft Dynamics GP Feature Pack 1 DVD image, included in Service Pack 3 and available on CustomerSource and PartnerSource, than from the RTM CDs. Many of the enhancements in the free Feature Pack 1 may also be useful to your business. Feature Pack 1 also implements fixes to the installation process, such as support for multiple versions of Microsoft.NET Framework under the operating system.

Make sure your upgrade path is clear and remember, your upgrade to Microsoft Dynamics GP 10

will be difficult if you have not performed a comprehensive test upgrade plan. Perform as many test upgrades as possible. Because it is not always possible to mimic the production environment, performing test upgrades helps you determine what you have in your production system in terms of hardware, operating system components or database engine components. Make sure you utilize the advantages of SQL server 2008 and Windows Server 2008 also.

Most importantly, upgrading your Microsoft GP system is one of the most important steps within your products lifecycle. Your Cardamel consultant is trained to provide you and your organization with the planning and support that is required for undertaking this task. Use our experience to make this transition easier and to train your staff on the new features available.

If you are ready to upgrade, call Cardamel at 1-888-236-3269.



### There's Still Time to Register for Microsoft Convergence!

Have you registered for Microsoft's premiere Dynamics event of the year? There is still time to make reservations for Microsoft Convergence, March 10-13, 2009 in New Orleans, LA. Optimize your business management solutions and gain the insight you need to improve efficiency and decision making. Take advantage of hands-on learning experiences with the technology network and learn from other Microsoft Dynamics customers.

See a complete overview of upcoming new upgrades with a Power Point presentation highlighting key expected new features. Learn the future of the company, product direction for GP and SL, the vision of Microsoft executive leaders and investments that can help you take advantage of the benefits. With detailed product demonstrations, a variety of speakers and focus groups designed to address your needs in a community setting, this event is a must attend.

Build skill across Microsoft platforms and equip yourself with the knowledge you need to optimize your solutions. Don't miss this event. Register online today at [www.microsoft.com/dynamics/convergence](http://www.microsoft.com/dynamics/convergence).

#### Cardamel is now supporting:

Microsoft Dynamics SL 7.0  
Feature Pack 1

Microsoft Dynamics GP 10.0