



Enterprise Quality and Compliance Management Software

IQS and PHRED Solutions Align to Deliver an Enhanced Problem Solving Solution to Manufacturers

CLEVELAND, OH & BRECKENRIDGE, CO – September 9, 2009 – IQS, Inc., a leading provider of Enterprise Quality and Compliance software, today announced a strategic alliance IQS will use PHRED Solutions' Problem Solving Software as the foundation for enhancing the Corrective Action and Root Cause Analysis capabilities within IQS' Enterprise Quality and Compliance Software. The new offering, *IQS Advanced Problem Solving, Powered by PHRED™*, is a full-featured, enterprise problem-solving tool that enables manufacturers to standardize their problem solving processes using easy-to-use questioned based reasoning software to support 8D, A3/Lean Problem Solving and 5 Why Root Cause Analysis methods.

"We're very pleased to have been selected as IQS's problem solving partner, extending our reach into broader markets and leverage IQS' twenty years of market leadership in the Enterprise Quality and Compliance sector," says Nick Rennie, PHRED Solutions Managing Director. "IQS is recognized as a leader in quality and compliance software innovation, functionality and customer satisfaction; we look forward to enabling IQS to provide their customers with the most robust problem solving solution on the market today."

"We selected PHRED Solutions to power IQS Advanced Problem Solving software because of its proven expertise, full functionality and scalability to support our entire suite of quality and compliance solutions," says Michael Rapaport, President and CEO of IQS. "The addition of PHRED Solutions problem solving software will strengthen our already robust offering, enabling customers to further improve product quality while reducing costs."

About IQS, Inc.

IQS is in the business of helping our customers reduce risk and improve visibility into key aspects of business processes and performance. The IQS model provides an enterprise-wide software framework to manage compliance with multiple regulations, quality standards and mandates. IQS' integrated data hub allows increased visibility into business processes within organizations while providing actionable insight into performance and risk related metrics. Leading companies across multiple industries are using IQS software today to manage and improve business performance, assuring higher levels of quality, compliance and risk management. For more information, visit the company's web site at www.iqs.com.

About PHRED Solutions

PHRED Solutions is the market leader in helping companies eliminate or significantly reduce the limitations that hinder them from leveraging the talents of the people working on complex day-to-day Problems.

PHRED Solutions addresses problem solving, knowledge capture, retention and reapplication across the organization and supply base. These capabilities enable PHRED users to significantly reduce the number of repeat problems at all levels of the organization and supply chain, and to improve customer deliverables. The information gathered is frequently used to fuel continuous improvements efforts in design, engineering and manufacturing processes. Additional capabilities include observational safety and human factors based safety investigation. Observational safety enables companies to quickly gather mass observations to predict likely occurrences and support compliance reporting. Investigational safety significantly reduces the time and dramatically improves the effectiveness of an accident or near miss investigation. For more information, visit the company's web site at www.PHREDsolutions.com.

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