

## Coglin Mill Announces RODIN 7 for Data Warehouse, Change Data Capture and ETL on IBM i

**ROCHESTER, Minnesota October 14, 2011** Coglin Mill (<http://www.thinkrodin.com>) is pleased to announce that Release 7 of RODIN will soon be available. This latest release of RODIN builds further on the exciting enhancements delivered over the past several years, with several new and innovative features.

Direct ETL from text files, (fixed length and delimited) extends RODIN already impressive support for a wide range of data sources. RODIN's Metadata layer allows the identification and naming of the implied columns in fixed length files. For delimited files, the columns are automatically identified and named. In both cases, a layout editor is used to simplify the identification and definition of the 'columns' in the data.

This new version also includes enhancements to RODIN's transformation capabilities. A new expression editor allows simplified implementation of complex expression based transformations, augmenting the already powerful business rule functionality. This new support includes many built-in functions, extensive string and math functions, and also provides the framework for future enablement of user-defined functions.

RODIN has always supported the automatic detection and conversion of legacy date/time values. This release extends this functionality to support many additional date/time formats, especially the character-based formats commonly encountered in text files or spreadsheets. Many other minor or cosmetic/productivity enhancements have also been delivered in this area.

RODIN's Change Data Capture functionality has also been enhanced in this release. This is a journal-based real-time change capture function that provides excellent performance and supports both local and remote journals. Additional output options extend support for real time ETL, and a new utility for setting up capture over multiple tables has been added.

Since Release 4, RODIN has included support for pulling data from other databases ( MS SQL Server, Oracle etc.) and this has now been extended to also support the 'push' of data warehouse data out to these other platforms, with an easy to use drag and drop visual editor for the source to target column mappings. This allows for an Enterprise Data Warehouse to be built on the IBM i platform, with divisional data marts or other feeds being distributed out to other databases.

Alan Jordan, Coglin Mill's senior vice president of development said "I am really excited about this new release. We began planning two years ago after delivery of Release 6 which was very well received. Customers who upgraded to Release 6 were universal in their praise of the new functionality and great usability improvements and I'm expecting similar feedback for Release 7." Jordan added, "The new release is very stable. In fact, one of our customers has had a beta version of Release 7 for several months, and has been running it in Production since August. As usual, many of the new features being delivered are the direct result of user requests and suggestions. Our development team is already working on the next set of enhancements; customers should be confident that we'll continue to keep adding new functionality."

### About Coglin Mill

Today, the company is solely focused on development and support of its flagship RODIN Data Asset Management product. Named after the famous sculptor, RODIN is widely recognized as the premier software suite available for the development and management of sophisticated data warehousing environments on the IBM Power System i platform.

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