

Tullett & Tokyo Liberty plc is the first UK customer for the latest version of CSK Software's Slingshot intelligent data streaming solution

Slingshot from CSK Software gives Tullett quick and easy delivery of streamed data products over the Internet

London, 4th April 2001 - CSK Software, the leading global provider of software solutions for the financial markets, has announced that international wholesale brokerage Tullett & Tokyo Liberty plc has become the first company in the UK to implement the latest version of its Slingshot solution for intelligent data streaming across the Web. Slingshot has already proved extremely successful in the Far East.

Tullett is using Slingshot to stream its Spot FX prices over the Internet to a variety of customers. The streamed prices delivered by Slingshot can be accessed through Tullett's website, allowing Tullett to reach customers quickly and flexibly. As the prices are delivered over the Web, they can also be viewed by customers anywhere.

Slingshot was chosen by Tullett because it easily facilitates the creation and control of streamed price services from the company's own internal IT systems. It was installed in under thirty minutes, and allows Tullett to design and implement a variety of financial information products and services quickly. As well as delivering Spot FX prices, Slingshot is also being developed by Tullett to deliver sterling money-market prices and off-balance sheet prices. Slingshot has replaced a streaming solution that Tullett operated through an ISP, an external implementation that inhibited the flexibility and rapid product development the company required.

Anthony Rooke, business technical manager of Tullett & Tokyo Liberty plc, explained the importance of Slingshot to Tullett: "We needed a solution with which we could quickly develop our own products. Slingshot fitted the bill perfectly. It is a mature product that combines speed of implementation with ease of use, integrates smoothly and reliably with our website and the Internet, and is well supported by CSK Software."

Barry Ratsma, country manager for CSK Software UK, commented: "We are very pleased that Tullett has become our first customer in the UK for the latest version of Slingshot. Tullett has recognised that Slingshot offers the best intelligent streaming solution, and is taking advantage of the capabilities it offers for quickly developing

and then delivering information streaming products. Slingshot can help get brokerages out there in front of their customers, greatly raising levels of service and providing a vital competitive edge.”

The latest version of Slingshot has been developed by CSK Software to incorporate the latest web technology into intelligent streaming of financial data. Completely redesigned to work seamlessly with today’s increasingly sophisticated Internet security policies, Slingshot ensures that the integrity of price information on the desktop is unaffected by corporate firewalls, virus scanners and proxy servers.

Slingshot’s architecture is designed to serve users with maximum speed, using minimum bandwidth. When Slingshot is accessed, a tiny Java applet is downloaded to maintain a continuous connection to the server and provide the display format. The data Slingshot then publishes occupies very little bandwidth, and can therefore be continuously streamed at high speeds. The design of Slingshot ensures that users can have the most efficient access to data, irrespective of the local bandwidth provision. The user receives a visual indication if network connectivity becomes unreliable, and is reconnected to the data stream when recovery is achieved.

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