Polarion Software First in ALM Industry to be Awarded ISO 26262 and IEC 61508 Qualification

Polarion qualification accelerates automotive electronics suppliers' ability to develop functionally safe software and hardware systems in compliance with ISO 26262 and IEC 61508 standards

Stuttgart, Germany & Alameda, CA, November 15, 2012 – Polarion Software, a global leader in application lifecycle management (ALM), announced today the company's Polarion ALM solution for hardware and software development has been awarded ISO 26262 qualification by TUV Nord in Germany, a third party certification authority. Polarion is the first ALM vendor to receive ISO 26262 qualification for all ALM disciplines and for its entire suite of products including Polarion REQUIREMENTS, Polarion QA and Polarion ALM.

ISO 26262 is a functional safety standard for automotives and specifies requirements for safety-related systems, hardware, and software. Compliance with ISO 26262 is key for automotive suppliers and manufacturers; companies failing to comply risk losing the legal right to sell their products in the main economic markets of the world.

The qualification by TUV Nord offers evidence that Polarion's software development processes comply with the highest Automotive Safety Integrity Level (ASIL-D) as defined in ISO 26262, and demonstrate that Polarion can reliably implement and replicate the processes. Furthermore, any software and hardware systems developed using Polarion's software development processes is also deemed to meet the functional safety requirements of ISO 26262; reducing Polarion customers' compliance efforts to nearly zero.

"Since 2004, Polarion has provided easy-to-use advanced technology solutions to help our mechatronic customers in the global automotive marketplace produce secure and safe automotive equipment and devices. Polarion is the first ALM vendor to receive ISO 26262 qualification, and we are now offering templates, training, and consulting services to assist our customers in meeting the ISO 26262 standard in order to build safer, more reliable and higher quality products," says Stefano Rizzo, VP of Strategy & Business Development, Polarion.

"Polarion's ISO 26262 qualification will save us a great deal of effort and cost in our own qualification process. We leverage Polarion's ALM solution across our complete development lifecycle for requirements tracking, release packaging, test results, and full traceability coverage for vehicle hazards ISO 26262," says Maria Eugenia Zuniga, Vehicle Software Quality Engineer, Quantum Technologies, leading provider of alternative and renewable energy technology solutions.

"We are frequently asked by automotive companies to create and support software processes compliant to ISO 26262. Polarion 26262 templates provide an effective starting point for documentation of 26262 practices – and Polarion's offers excellent support for traceability and integration with development and testing tools used by other companies," says Professor Maurizio Morisio, Department of Control and Computer Engineering at the Politecnico di Torino in Italy.

"We are excited about Polarion's ability to solve our customers challenges through ISO 26262 compliance," says Mr. Tamikazu Kohama, Managing Director, Toyo Corporation, "With a fully qualified ISO 26262 solution from Polarion, we are able to dramatically reduce our qualification efforts."

About Polarion Software
Polarion Software's success is best described by the hundreds of Global 1000 companies and over 1 Million users who rely daily on Polarion's Requirements Management, Quality Assurance, and Application Lifecycle Management solutions. Polarion is a thriving international company with offices across Europe and North America, and a wide ecosystem of partners world-wide. For more information, visit www.polarion.com.

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