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**BUILDERWIRE PARTNERS WITH ADVANTAGE BUSINESS
COMPUTER SYSTEMS TO BRING INTEGRATED ONLINE COMMERCE
SOLUTION TO BUILDING MATERIAL INDUSTRY**

LEXINGTON, Massachusetts – May 17, 2002, – BuilderWire, Inc., an emerging provider of advanced online systems for the building material and supply industry, today announced that it has formed an alliance with Advantage Business Computer Systems, leading developer of hardware, lumber and building material systems.

“Advantage shares our vision of providing an integrated commerce solution for hardware, lumber and building material dealers,” said Bob Touro, vice president and chief marketing officer, BuilderWire, Inc. “Our goal is to enable dealers to leverage their current investment in back-office technology to create an online presence for 24/7 access to customers and suppliers.”

“We’ve been looking to provide our dealer-customers with a way to conduct business online while also enhancing their customer service capability,” said Gregory D. Cuke, vice president of sales and marketing, Advantage Business Computer Systems. “We were impressed with the BuilderWire Internet-Based Ordering System (IBOS) and their ability to build the interfaces necessary to integrate to our software. It’s all about speed-to-market with the best products at the best price—that’s what convinced us to move forward with BuilderWire.”

BuilderWire’s IBOS software consists of application modules that can be integrated into a robust enterprise solution to support all business communications and order functions between the customer and dealer using an online web-enabled interface.

BuilderWire IBOS encompasses application components for Online Account Management, an Online Product Catalog and Quotation subsystem and a complete B2B/P (Pro) and B2C Commerce module to round out the product suite.

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“The real advantage for dealers is the ability to have a ‘plug and play interface’ to their Advantage back-office account and inventory system information. This allows the dealer to offer their customers access to account information, billing and online ordering and quotes seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. It’s a real benefit for all parties in terms of labor and time savings coupled with convenience and cost savings,” added Touro.

Headquartered in Big Sandy, Texas, Advantage Business Computer Systems can be reached at (800) 991-7283 extension 222 or online at www.abcsinc.com.

About BuilderWire

Lexington, Massachusetts-based BuilderWire, Inc. is committed to providing Internet-based, productivity and customer service improvement solutions that allow pro craftsmen, builders and developers anytime-anywhere access to online ordering, account information and product availability. The company’s flagship product, BuilderWire Internet Based Ordering System (IBOS) consists of application modules that can be integrated into a robust enterprise solution to support all business communications and order functions between the customer and dealer using an online web-enabled interface. BuilderWire IBOS encompasses application components for Online Account Management, an Online Product Catalog and Quotation subsystem and a complete B2B/P (Pro) & B2C Commerce module to round out the product suite. For more information, contact BuilderWire by phone at (781) 652-8489, or visit at www.builderwire.com.

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