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### PASCAL Selects Innovative for ILS and Resource-Sharing Systems

Emeryville, CA—A group of sixteen libraries at eight institutions from the Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries (PASCAL) will be migrating to Millennium, Innovative's integrated library management system. The eight institutions are Clemson University (Land Grant), University of South Carolina (an ARL member) and its seven regional campuses, the College of Charleston, South Carolina State University (Land Grant), The Citadel, Francis Marion University, Florence Darlington Technical College, and Aiken Technical College. In addition, PASCAL will be installing INN-Reach, Innovative's patron-initiated resource sharing system, as a move toward universal borrowing among academic institutions throughout the state.

In 2004, the state legislature of South Carolina stepped in with funding to bring a collection of 12 million items at over 50 institutions to life as a single sharing entity that will be searchable through a single online portal. Thanks to INN-Reach's "one-touch" fulfillment that dramatically reduces staff intervention, any of these titles can be available for pick up within two days of an online request. Says Executive Director of PASCAL Rick Moul: "Students and faculty can rely on INN-Reach for ubiquitous access to every PASCAL library regardless of their location, institutional affiliation, or library management system their campus uses." Until now, there has not been a union catalog or other effective resource sharing arrangement among South Carolina academic libraries.

"Our search for new technology that could make the most of the assets of our libraries was unique and ambitious," says Moul. "We wanted to leverage our need to modernize the local integrated library systems at eight anchor institutions to serve as a foundation for a top-notch resource sharing system for the State. Innovative, with the combination of Millennium and INN-Reach, provides a compelling blueprint for the architecture."

### PASCAL Leadership Lauds Decision

"The library catalog will be a more powerful research tool," says Marilee Birchfield, Implementation Coordinator at the University of South Carolina. "Library users will have more searching capabilities at their fingertips and will find greater integration of our print collection, digital resources, and online services. On the staff side, librarians will have new management tools to serve their communities better."

Joe Boykin, Dean of Libraries at Clemson says: "The Clemson University Libraries are excited about the ability to provide users with an effective and timely method of acquiring resources from the other academic libraries in South Carolina and to make our collections available to all the students at the other South Carolina higher education institutions."

“Innovative’s flexibility in responding to our requests with creative solutions has really helped the smaller institutions in the group make a great leap forward—at an affordable price,” says Amy Duernberger, Library Director at Aiken Tech and Chair of the ILS Procurement Group’s Steering Committee. “We’ll be purchasing a system fully comparable to that used by the largest number of academic and ARL libraries in the U.S.”

“All involved at PASCAL libraries are tremendously excited about this development,” says Mark Herring, Dean of Libraries at Winthrop University. “This very important addition underscores PASCAL’s ongoing value to higher education state-wide. When you add this to PASCAL’s database initiative, the impact is enormous.”

## Innovative's Strong Presence In South Carolina

With the eight new systems, 30 of PASCAL’s 56 members now use Millennium. The eight systems are migrating from two previously incumbent vendors: The University of South Carolina, Clemson University, and Aiken Technical College are migrating to Millennium from Notis/Dynix; while South Carolina State University, The Citadel, the College of Charleston, Francis Marion University, and Florence Darlington Technical College are migrating from Sirsi systems. INN-Reach, which has the ability to link even non-Millennium libraries to PASCAL’s portal, will incorporate academic libraries using no fewer than six non-Innovative library management systems.

With the addition of University of South Carolina, 36 ARL libraries depend on Millennium making it the number-one choice for library management systems among this prestigious group. Millennium enjoys a strong worldwide following among leading academic institutions due to the power of its staff-side client software and Innovative’s track record of partnering with academic libraries to deliver the enhancements and new products they need most.

## About PASCAL

In 2001, South Carolina academic libraries formed the PASCAL—Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries ([pascal.tcl.sc.edu](http://pascal.tcl.sc.edu))—to address information-access problems. Today, PASCAL is a consortium of well over 50 public and private academic libraries. It partners with other entities and is dedicated to improving information resources, access and services at each member institution’s library. PASCAL maintains electronic resource licensing programs, and is implementing universal borrowing amongst its members; expanding statewide access to historical, cultural and educational resources through collaboration and digitization; and supporting professional development of its member librarians. These projects have been characterized as the South Carolina Academic Virtual Library.

## About Innovative

With over 25 years of partnership with the library community, Innovative Interfaces ([www.iii.com](http://www.iii.com)) is the leader in providing Web-powered, Java™-based integrated library management systems. Its flagship product offering, Millennium, is installed in thousands of libraries in 42 countries around the world. The company is headquartered in Emeryville, California, with offices in Australia, Canada, France, Hong Kong, Korea, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, and the United Kingdom.

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