

## Paragon Enhances ePayment Testing Expertise

*Peggy Diedrich, Becky Dunn, Wynn Lam and Lynn Tjepkema earn ISTQB Professional Testing Certification*

(Holly Springs, NC— July 16, 2008) Paragon Application Systems, the leading global provider of electronic payment (ePayment) simulation, configuration and testing software, is pleased to announce that Peggy Diedrich, Becky Dunn, Wynn Lam and Lynn Tjepkema have earned their International Software Testing Qualifications Board (ISTQB) professional testing certification. Diedrich, Dunn, Lam and Tjepkema demonstrated proficiency based on internationally agreed upon software testing criteria.

Recognizing the need for international testing standards, the ISTQB was established in 2002 to develop and maintain a universally accepted testing qualification and accreditation program for software and system testing professionals. More than 38 countries are represented in the organization.

The ISTQB certification will enhance Paragon's ability to bring proven, internationally recognized testing methodologies to customers and to develop targeted working solutions that address their specific ePayment testing needs.

"It's extremely important that we continually upgrade our testing knowledge and skills in order to continue to provide comprehensive testing solutions to our customers," says Gary Kirk, President of Paragon Application Systems. "Formal certification from established organizations such as ISTQB is a key part of that process."

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