

MERCURY INTERACTIVE CORP
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO
TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

MERCURY INTERACTIVE CORPORATION

(Name of subject company (Issuer))

**HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY
MARS LANDING CORPORATION**

(Names of Filing Persons (Offerors))

Common Stock, \$0.002 par value per share
(Title of classes of securities)

589405109
(CUSIP number of common stock)

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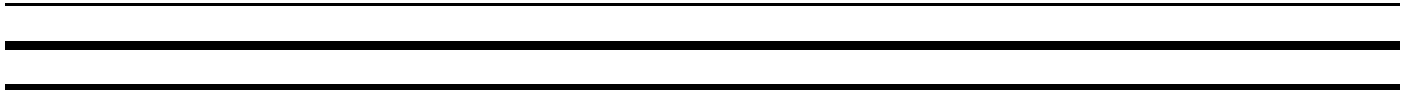
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DSPP Executive Message

HP recently announced that it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire Mercury Interactive, one of the leading business technology optimization (BTO) software companies. In this month's column, Ron Eller, Vice President & General Manager, HP Enterprise Solution Alliances, reviews the highlights of the announcement and discusses how DSPP partners can benefit.

DSPP Executive Message

Ron Eller, Vice President & General Manager, HP Enterprise Solution Alliances, offers this monthly column in which he discusses how partners can get more out of their DSPP membership.

We have exciting news to share with our DSPP members. HP recently announced that the company has signed an agreement to acquire Mercury Interactive, one of the leading business technology optimization (BTO) software companies.

This, the latest in a string of acquisitions, would be HP's largest software acquisition by revenue. With the Mercury acquisition, the HP software business is expected to increase to more than \$2 billion in annual revenue, making HP one of the largest software companies in the world. In addition, the acquisition would establish HP's IT management software and services as a leader in business technology optimization and a clear choice for companies seeking to optimize the value that IT brings to business.

As we look ahead, the combination of HP OpenView and Mercury would create a robust management suite for optimizing, automating and aligning IT services with business needs. Together, these complementary portfolios would allow customers to reduce IT costs and make better IT decisions.

In the meantime, let us remind you that the HP Enterprise Management Alliance Program is in place to support ISVs who develop solutions that integrate or enhance current HP management solutions. This specialized program, available to DSPP members, offers integration tools and technologies, interoperability testing, partner integration certification and marketing services to developers who create applications that provide complementary functionality to specific HP Enterprise Management products.

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