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<p>This message contains news related to EPV products produced and distributed by EPV Technologies. The EPV products suite answer problems such as <b>Managing Performance, Tuning and Capacity Planning</b> on the most common platforms, <b>allowing huge savings on HW and SW costs</b>. Greater details and information on EPV products and solutions can be found at <a href="http://www.epvtech.com">http://www.epvtech.com</a> or writing to <a href="mailto:epv.info@epvtech.com">epv.info@epvtech.com</a>.</p>	
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<p><b>1) Tech Papers</b></p>	<p><b>Controlling z/OS Applications - Part 1</b></p>
<p><b>Abstract</b></p>	<p>Fabio Massimo Ottaviani - EPV Technologies</p>
<p>Applications are the reason that IT infrastructure exists, so their performance is business critical. Applications are also the area in tuning which can give the best results in terms of resource (and financial) savings.</p> <p>For these reasons a large part of EPV for z/OS is designed to allow customers to control application performance and resource consumption and to help them to quickly identify tuning opportunities and abnormal behaviors.</p> <p>In this paper the most important features provided in EPV for z/OS to control applications will be discussed. Due to the complexity of the topic, the paper has been split in 3 parts.</p> <p><i>If you want to receive the paper you can reply to this e-mail writing <b>"Controlling z/OS Applications"</b> in the subject.</i></p>	
<p><b>2) Tech News</b></p>	<p><b>CMG U.S.A.</b></p>
<p>CMG'08 will be held December 7th through 12th in Las Vegas, Nevada at the Paris Hotel. The theme for CMG'08 is Architecting the Service Oriented Infrastructure for Efficiency, Scalability and Agility.</p> <p>EPV Technologies will present the following paper:</p> <p>"Bigger Savings Using New z Technologies" - room Vendome A at 1.15 pm</p> <p>More details at: <a href="http://www.cmg.org">http://www.cmg.org</a></p>	
<p><b>3) Tech Support</b></p>	<p><b>z10 MXG support</b></p>
<p>For those who use MXG based solutions (SAS/MXG or SAS/ITRM) and have z10 machines, we strongly suggest to check the MXG web site, because there're many changes added recently to avoid wrong numbers in your reports. You should upgrade to the latest MXG version available.</p>	

More details at: <http://www.mxg.com>

#### 4) Tech Note

#### Understanding SMF Record Type 120, Subtype 9

*In WebSphere Application Server for z/OS Version 7, we introduce subtype 9, a new subtype that presents a unified picture of the server activity. The subtype 9 record collects most of the data currently spread across the other subtypes, plus new information, such as how much zAAP CPU the server uses in processing a request. WebSphere creates one subtype 9 record for every request that the server processes for both external requests (application requests) and internal requests, such as when the controller "talks to" the servant regions.*

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