

#### **IBM Software Group**

Passport Advantage Program Changes May 23, 2005



- Two major items:
  - Introducing the Fixed Term License (FTL) offering
  - Introducing continuous renewal of FTL and Software Maintenance
- Other minor wording updates for clarification and clean-up



### Fixed Term License

- New offering provides limited-duration licenses that will be continuously renewed unless terminated by the customer
- License includes Software Maintenance for duration of license



- Fixed Term License
  - Limited initial roll-out of some Rational desktop development products
  - Announced and available for selected Rational products January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005
    - These products offer 12 month duration licenses



### Fixed Term License

- Customer Benefits:
  - Additional licensing option (customer choice)
  - Supports short-duration projects and variability of usage



- Continuous renewal of FTL and Software Maintenance
  - Provides customer choice of three paths:
    - Between receipt of renewal quotation and actual renewal date, renew coverage (direct or through channel)
    - 2. Before renewal date, indicate a "decline" of renewal
    - 3. Allow coverage to automatically renew and pay invoice accordingly
  - Uses current familiar renewal processes
    - Customers can continue to renew through their selected Business Partner or direct with IBM, as they choose
- Customer benefit:
  - Addresses unintended coverage lapses and associated higher costs



- Continuous renewal of FTL
  - Applies to FTL product offerings, effective immediately
- Continuous renewal of Software Maintenance
  - Applies to all Passport Advantage Eligible Products and starts with June 1<sup>st</sup> Software Maintenance renewals



- Continuous renewal of FTL and Software Maintenance - Process
  - Large and government customers, typically with very complex renewals, will continue to be helped through renewal process by their Business Partner and/or their IBM renewal representative – same experience as today
  - Smaller customers (typically much more simple renewals) get more convenient lower-touch process
  - Worldwide deployment except where legally, contractually, or otherwise limited
  - Modified processes to address specific geographic issues



# Questions?