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## **AgilePath Announces SOA Funding and Budgeting Assessment Solution**

*Releases Version 2 of SOA Governance Reference Model™*

NEWBURYPORT, MA—January 29, 2006 – AgilePath Corporation, a leading service-oriented architecture (SOA) management and technology consulting firm, announced the release of new SOA Funding and Budgeting assessment solution to augment its SOA Governance Playbook™ methodology. AgilePath’s SOA Funding and Budgeting Assessment helps organizations establish appropriate funding models in support of their SOA initiatives and implement budgeting processes to support SOA strategy and planning, tooling and infrastructure investments, services design and development, and achieving reuse and sharing of services.

“Our SOA governance experience shows how critical IT funding and budgeting processes are in supporting SOA initiatives,” said Eric Marks, President and CEO of AgilePath Corporation. “We quickly realized that SOA funding and budgeting was so significant that we developed a formal solution and methodology to address the processes by which organizations fund SOA and related initiatives. Ultimately, funding and budgeting processes set the stage for realizing many of the benefits of SOA, and therefore appropriate SOA funding models are essential for success.”

AgilePath redefined the SOA governance landscape in February 2006 with its SOA Governance Reference Model™, which established a vendor neutral framework for SOA governance based on organization and processes rather than software tools. From its SOA Governance Reference Model, AgilePath developed its SOA Governance Playbook™ methodology, which is the industry’s leading model for establishing SOA governance processes and policies in support of an SOA initiative. AgilePath’s SOA Funding and Budgeting Solution™ has its own discrete methodology and will include two modules: a SOA Funding and Budgeting Assessment, and a SOA Funding and Budgeting Model component, which will develop a comprehensive to-be funding model that supports a client’s SOA strategy and SOA governance requirements while establishing explicit alignment to business and mission goals.

“AgilePath has once again extended its SOA Governance vision and thought leadership to address SOA challenges faced by our Fortune 1000 and Federal Government clients,” stated Eric Marks. “AgilePath’s SOA Playbook™ series of methodologies and solutions are the industry benchmark for comprehensive and insightful SOA solutions that are vendor independent and client-focused, and we will continue to forge ahead with our innovative agenda for the SOA industry.”

AgilePath CEO Eric Marks has just begun work on a new SOA book focused entirely on SOA Governance. The working title is “**SOA Governance and Beyond: Evolving Governance for a Services Driven Enterprise**,” and will be another Wiley & Sons book. This is Mr. Marks’s third SOA book, and will be released in 2007. Mr. Marks’s most recent SOA book, “**SOA: A Planning and Implementation Guide for Business and Technology**” (Marks and Bell, 2006), has become a top-selling SOA book in part because of its comprehensive industry-leading coverage of SOA governance.

#### **About AgilePath Corporation**

AgilePath Corporation is the leading vendor-independent management consulting firm focused exclusively on Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA). Founded in 2003, AgilePath's mission is to help business and IT executives understand, plan for and implement SOA. AgilePath's thought leadership, business focus and patent pending SOA Playbook™ methodology lead to rapid ROI and business results via SOA. AgilePath is based in Newburyport, Massachusetts. For more information visit [www.agile-path.com](http://www.agile-path.com).