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Integrated Database & Middleware

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An integrated database makes it so much easier for our users and our ISVs to be able to develop applications that they know are going to work on any IBM i in the world.

It was critical when we designed the database that it be integrated not just for the operating system's use of the database but also for the middleware use of the database. Any new middleware that came onto the system; such as MQ series was able to integrate into our capabilities and commitment control and availability of recovery seamlessly.

On our most recent 7.1 release we've introduced technology refreshes.

We can ship functionality, we can ship performance enhancements, we can ship usability enhancements and we can get them into the hands of our customers much, much sooner.

IBM i already is one of the most secure systems in the industry, yet you can't just stop once you have a lead.

Our next release is going to provide a huge new enhancement in the area of security for being able to do row and column level masking support directly on the database.