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ebrary Adds Thousands of Online Books to its Growing Collections

The Company Expects to Exceed its 2004 Content Growth of More than 60% in 2005

October 17, 2005 – Palo Alto, CA – ebrary® (www.ebrary.com), a leading information services and technology provider, today announced that it has significantly enhanced its Growing Collections of online books during the third quarter of this year. Academic Complete, a robust collection that spans multiple subject areas, has increased by more than 2,000 titles for a total of more than 25,000 full-text books and other authoritative content from over 200 leading academic, trade, and professional publishers. Public Library Complete has grown by more than 600 titles for a total of more than 8,500 documents. Government Complete has expanded by more than 1,000 titles and now includes more than 16,600 online books and other valuable content.

Among the additions, Academic Complete now includes a selection of books from Oxford University Press (US), Lawrence Erlbaum Publishing, Artech House, and Sage Publications. New titles added during the third quarter span a variety of academic disciplines and include work from Pulitzer prize-winning authors such as James M. McPherson (*Crossroads of Freedom: Antietam*, Oxford University Press) and Mark Stevens and Annalyn Swan (*de Kooning: An American Master*, Alfred A. Knopf). Public Library Complete now offers additional titles in self-help law, introductory computer guides, and education. Government Complete customers now have access to a greater selection of titles in international relations, science, and public policy.

“Last year, ebrary grew our Growing Collections by more than 60%, and we are well on our way to exceeding this milestone in 2005,” said Chris Palma, ebrary’s Vice President of Content. “Our content growth validates that ebrary’s business model for our subscription products has been well accepted by both our publishing partners, who continue to provide us with valuable content, and our growing roster of international library customers. We are extremely pleased to continue providing our customers with new content at no additional cost throughout the subscription term while providing our publishing partners with a growing revenue stream.”

Like all of ebrary's book database products, the company's Growing Collections are delivered via the ebrary Dynamic Content Platform (DCP)[™] featuring the ebrary Reader[™] and InfoTools[™] software. The ebrary Reader optimizes online viewing by delivering documents page-by-page to the end user's desktop, eliminating cumbersome document downloads. InfoTools enables end users to select any word, in any ebrary document, then instantly link to additional information in the library, in ebrary's DCP, and on the web without losing their place of reference.

All ebrary subscription databases are delivered under a simultaneous, multi-user access model. Any number of patrons or students can access the same book, at the same time, from any computer with Internet access.

Additional key features include the following:

- **Personal Bookshelves** that automatically archive highlights, notes, and bookmarks.
- **Copying and Printing** text with customizable, automatic citations.
- **Automatic, Customizable Citations** that include a URL hyperlink to the exact page from which the information was gathered.
- **Multiple Search Options** including simple, advanced, full-text, key word, Boolean, and proximity search.
- **Integration** with ILS system and other subscription databases.
- **Free MARC Records** provided.
- **Reporting Tools** show how content is being used while protecting end-user privacy.
- **Hosted Service** eliminates overhead costs.

Pricing and Availability

ebrary's Growing Collections are available today. For more information about ebrary's subscription databases as well as its perpetual access online book products and OnDemand[™] content delivery platform, please visit www.ebrary.com. To receive a price quote or title lists, please email sales@ebrary.com.

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The company has pioneered the Dynamic Content Platform (DCP)[™], a hosted information delivery service that features a growing selection of more than 60,000 titles from more than 200 leading academic, STM, and professional publishers. ebrary licenses authoritative content such as full-text books, reports, maps, and other authoritative documents under both a simultaneous, multi-user subscription and perpetual access model.

Additionally, ebrary offers server-based solutions to easily and cost-effectively create remote collections and virtual content portals from any PDF documents stored within a hard drive, database, or content management system.

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