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Mr. Patrick Masson, General Manager & Director
Open Source Initiative
855 El Camino Real, Ste 13A, #270
Palo Alto, CA 94301

Dear Mr. Masson and Open Source Initiative Board,

Kuali is an open source community focused on helping colleges and universities reduce the cost of administration so that more of the precious resources are focused on teaching and research. Our community develops enterprise administrative software for managing students, financials, research administration, continuity planning, and libraries.

The Kuali community was founded in 2004, and the Kuali Foundation, a not-for-profit member organization was created to steward and organize the work of our community. Our community primarily uses two outbound open source licenses: The Educational Community License 2.0, which we successfully worked with OSI to create nearly a decade ago, and the Affero GPL.

Several of our products have been publicly released, with source code available on GitHub: Kuali Financials, Kuali Research, Kuali OLE (Library), and Kuali Rice / Core (shared / middleware components). Other modules are still in early phases of development with plans for initial public open source release in the coming year.

We have a very active community and participation from more than 150 colleges and universities. There are many ways that people engage in our community from participating in public mailing lists, to organized audio/video meetings of specialized working groups, and face to face meetings. Kuali has two main face to face gatherings each year in the Spring and the Fall. In November our most recent “Kuali Days” attracted more than 400 people from 100 colleges and universities for a week in Austin, TX.
Information about membership and additional participation opportunities can be found at www.kuali.org.

On behalf of this community, please accept our application for affiliate membership.

Best regards,

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