Data Connectivity Solutions – How Do They Measure Up?

Critical Criteria	Progress® DataDirect®	Other Commercial Third-Party Solutions	Free: Database Vendor and Open Source
Wide breadth of data sources, platforms and standards supported	🟢	🟡	🟡
Optimized for superior throughput, CPU efficiency and memory usage	🟢	🟡	🟡
Clientless architecture (no database client libraries required)	🟢	🟡	🔴
Full standards compliance	🟢	🟡	🔴
Production-level quality verified via rigorous QA testing methodology	🟢	🟡	🔴
One driver supports all database versions	🟢	🔴	🔴
Database interoperability features	🟢	🔴	🔴
Doesn't force lock-in with proprietary functionality	🟢	🟡	🔴
Portability between databases and platforms with a single code base	🟢	🟡	🔴
Single Sign-On/OS authentication across all platforms	🟢	🔴	🔴
Bulk loading mass volumes of data	🟢	🔴	🔴
Application failover and load balancing	🟢	🔴	🔴
24x7x365 technical support focused exclusively on data connectivity	🟢	🟡	🔴
Timely product releases and strong product road map	🟢	🟢	🟡
Leadership role on standards committees	🟢	🟢	🔴
Legal liability protection	🟢	🟢	🟡

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