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**ASHTON-TATE PUBLISHING GROUP INTRODUCES
PASCAL PROGRAMMING AID FOR dBASE III PLUS**

TORRANCE, Calif., November 24, 1986 — Ashton-Tate's Publishing Group today announced dBASE TOOLS: The Pascal Programmer's Library, a Pascal library and dBASE III PLUS interface that gives users the power to call and execute compiled Pascal functions and programming routines as part of normal dBASE operations.

Used with dBASE III PLUS or the dBASE III Developer's Release, the package supports Version 3.0 of Turbo Pascal from Borland International, Inc. The package, the third in a series of software add-on programming packages for dBASE III PLUS, extends the dBASE III PLUS command set to include more than 40 new complex financial, statistical and mathematical functions.

The product's supplied library of Pascal functions can be expanded by directly incorporating customized Pascal functions into dBASE applications.

dBASE TOOLS: The Pascal Programmer's Library's suggested retail price is \$89.95. The product is available now and can be purchased at computer retail stores and bookstores nationwide. For more information, call (800) 437-4329.

dBASE III PLUS is the industry-standard relational database management system for 16-bit microcomputers.

Ashton-Tate is the world's second-largest microcomputer applications software company. In addition to dBASE III PLUS, the company's products include dBASE II, dBASE III PLUS LAN Pack, MultiMate Advantage, the MultiMate 3.3 Series, Framework II, and the MASTER GRAPHICS Series for IBM Personal Computers and compatibles.

For the first half of fiscal 1987 ended July 31, 1986, Ashton-Tate reported revenues of \$90.2 million and net income of \$11.6 million, increases of 75 percent and 100 percent respectively, from the same period last year.

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