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Firehouse Networks Attains Gold Certified Partner Status in Microsoft Partner Program

Firehouse Networks Further Distinguishes Itself by Earning a

Microsoft Competency in Networking Infrastructure Solutions

Bloomingdale, IL, USA — February 20, 2007 — Firehouse Networks, serving all of your technology needs, today announced it has attained Gold Certified Partner status in the Microsoft Partner Program with a competency in Networking Infrastructure Solutions recognizing Firehouse Network's expertise and impact in the technology marketplace. As a Gold Certified Partner, Firehouse Networks has demonstrated expertise with Microsoft technologies and proven ability to meet customers' needs. Microsoft Gold Certified Partners receive a rich set of benefits, including access, training and support, giving them a competitive advantage in the channel.

Firehouse Networks was founded in 1990 by a team of IT and business professionals committed to elevating the standards of network support. With our combined network consulting, design and implementation experience, Firehouse Networks is able to exceed our customers' expectations every time.

Firehouse Networks solutions combine technology, knowledge of the industry & their clients, and products from their partners to help bring clients the cost-effective, highly secure, reliable and scalable solutions that can help ensure a successful business.

From Firehouse Network's 24/7 Network Rescue Services to High End Firewall Configurations Firehouse Networks is the only source you need for IT consulting.

"We are extremely pleased to have attained Gold Certified Partner status in the Microsoft Partner Program. This allows us to clearly promote our expertise and relationship with Microsoft to our customers," said Eric Morrisroe. "The benefits provided through our Gold Certified Partner status will allow us to continue to enhance the offerings that we provide for customers."

"Customers are looking for partner companies that can bridge the gap between their business demands and technology capabilities," said Allison Watson, vice president of the Worldwide Partner Sales and Marketing Group at Microsoft Corp. "They need to trust in a company that can act as an expert adviser for their long-term strategic technology plans. Microsoft Gold Certified Partners, which have certified expertise and direct training and support from Microsoft, can build a positive customer experience with our technologies. Today, Microsoft recognizes Firehouse Networks as a new Gold Certified Partner for demonstrating its expertise providing customer satisfaction using Microsoft products and technology."

As one of the requirements for attaining Gold Certified Partner status Firehouse Networks had to declare a Microsoft Competency. Microsoft Competencies are designed to help differentiate a partner's capabilities with specific Microsoft technologies to customers looking for a particular type of solution. Each competency has a unique set of requirements and benefits, formulated to accurately represent the specific skills and services that partners bring to the technology industry.

Microsoft Gold Certified Partners enrolled in the Networking Infrastructure Solutions Competency have proved their expertise in implementing technology solutions based on either the Microsoft Windows Server 2003 or Windows 2000 Server operating system, with a particular

focus on Microsoft Small Business Server 2000 and Windows Small Business Server 2003. These implementations may include crafting solutions that connect Windows-based servers, PC locations and the Internet; installing a server farm; or building a small-business Windows Server stand-alone solution that includes file and print capabilities.

"We place tremendous value on our partners, which help us deliver solutions and applications to customers," said Allison Watson, vice president of the Worldwide Partner Sales and Marketing Group at Microsoft Corp. "Solutions competencies provide an integrated partnering framework that recognizes an enterprise's expertise and rewards it for the effect it has in the technology marketplace. It also allows companies to demonstrate for customers their knowledge of building solutions based on Microsoft technologies, such as setting up networks using Windows Server 2003 R2 and Windows Small Business Server 2003."

The Microsoft Partner Program was launched in October 2003 and represents Microsoft's ongoing commitment to the success of partners worldwide. The program offers a single, integrated partnering framework that recognizes partner expertise, rewards the total impact that partners have in the technology marketplace, and delivers more value to help partners' businesses be successful.

Firehouse Networks is highly attuned to the needs of small to medium size businesses. Companies with 5 to 500 workstations have very different needs than Fortune 1000 companies. Smaller companies require a small staff with a broad range of technical skills. They also need systems capable of providing network and workstation specifications including previous work orders to quickly handle any issues that arise. But where can you find and how do you fund such an IT team? By making Firehouse Networks your team.

Firehouse Network's friendly and competent technicians provide the same full range of services provided by IT departments in large companies.

Services that include (but are not limited to):

- cabling

- workstation maintenance and support

- LAN operating systems

- WAN - wide area connectivity

- Tele-Communications systems

- Security / Firewall systems

- Internet communications, and

- help desk support

If clients have in-house IT personnel, Firehouse Networks can fill in the skill gaps they may have, or simply assist during project implementations when their own staff has more to do than they can handle. If clients do not have an in-house IT staff, Firehouse Networks can provide cost effective solutions to managing the network needs that arise in the course of business operations.

Firehouse Networks' asset management system can provide detailed real-time inventory of your computer equipment and software.

Firehouse Networks offers a' la carte pricing for individual services, as well as comprehensive maintenance contracts which encompass all aspects of network / desktop

operations. From High Level security to simple installations and upgrades Firehouse Networks is your one stop for IT services.

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