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NETSCOUT Achieves Red Hat OpenStack Platform Certification

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NETSCOUT Joins Red Hat Connect for Technology Partner Program, Enabling Customers to Better Optimize Network Operations through Open Source Virtualization

WESTFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 28, 2018-- **NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC.,** (NASDAQ: NTCT), a leading provider of business assurance, a powerful combination of service assurance, cybersecurity, and business intelligence solutions, today announced it has joined Red Hat Connect for Technology Partner Program and has collaborated with Red Hat to achieve Red Hat OpenStack Certification. The certification demonstrates that NETSCOUT's virtualized product, **vSTREAM**®, has been tested and certified for use with Red Hat OpenStack Platform to provide consistent performance and compatibility.

"We are delighted to join the Red Hat partner program with this certification," explained Vikram Saksena, office of the chief technology officer, NETSCOUT. "Given NETSCOUT's leadership in service assurance and Red Hat's leadership in OpenStack, we believe this collaboration has the potential to be mutually beneficial to our customers. It also creates an opportunity for the two companies to pursue further innovations, joint marketing, and sales activities as opportunities present themselves."

Whether it is deployed as an instance in a cloud environment or as a virtual machine on a hypervisor, vSTREAM leverages the full power of NETSCOUT's patented Adaptive Service Intelligence™ (ASI) technology, including session details and long-term packet recording. By aggregating traffic from multiple sources, including vSCOUT™, vSTREAM leverages Smart Data to present real-time views of sessions, conversations, and end-to-end call trace data, as well as perform packet analysis and provide network-wide KPIs.

The Red Hat Connect for Technology Partner Program is designed for commercial organizations that offer plugins,

hardware, software, or services for customers to implement cloud infrastructure solutions powered by **Red Hat products built on OpenStack technology**. The program offers partners an opportunity to gain the necessary expertise with Red Hat's OpenStack technology through access to Red Hat releases and developer support, as well as key resources needed to test, certify, and publish solutions that make use of Red Hat's OpenStack offerings. Red Hat's OpenStack ecosystem ranges from independent hardware vendors (IHVs) and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) partners, to independent software vendors (ISVs) and system integrators who have joined the program to provide certified solutions and launch their own OpenStack practices to support customer deployments.

"We're pleased to have NETSCOUT join us in the Red Hat Connect for Technology Partner Program," said Mike Werner, senior director, Global Technology Ecosystems, Red Hat. "To help customers get the most out of Red Hat's OpenStack offerings and our open hybrid cloud solutions, we work closely with technology companies like NETSCOUT that provide powerful and complementary solutions. We look forward to continued collaboration with NETSCOUT as an important member of Red Hat's OpenStack ecosystem."

About NETSCOUT

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. (NASDAQ: NTCT) assures digital business services against disruptions in availability, performance, and security. Our market and technology leadership stems from combining our patented smart data technology with smart analytics. We provide real-time, pervasive visibility, and insights customers need to accelerate and secure their digital transformation. Our approach transforms the way organizations plan, deliver, integrate, test, and deploy services and applications. Our nGenius service assurance solutions provide real-time, contextual analysis of service, network, and application performance. Arbor security solutions protect against DDoS attacks that threaten availability and advanced threats that infiltrate networks to steal critical business assets. To learn more about improving service, network, and application performance in physical or virtual data centers, or in the cloud, and how NETSCOUT's performance and security solutions, powered by service intelligence can help you move forward with confidence, visit **www.netscout.com** or follow @NETSCOUT and @ArborNetworks on Twitter, Facebook, or LinkedIn.

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economic conditions generally and in the market for advanced network and service assurance solutions specifically; the volatile foreign exchange environment; the Company's relationships with strategic partners and resellers; dependence upon broad-based acceptance of the Company's network performance management solutions; the presence of competitors with greater financial resources than ours and their strategic response to our products; our ability to retain key executives and employees; and lower than expected demand for the Company's products and services. For a more detailed description of the risk factors associated with the Company, please refer to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2017 and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, which are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. NETSCOUT assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking information contained in this press release or with respect to the announcements described herein.

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