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NETSCOUT Joins Linux Foundation Networking

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NETSCOUT Providing Visibility, Metadata, and KPIs to Drive Network and Services Automation

WESTFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 10, 2018-- **NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC**., (NASDAQ: NTCT), a leading provider of service assurance, security, and business analytics, today announced it has joined the Linux Foundation Networking (LFN) ecosystem, which encompasses OpenDaylight, OPNFV, ONAP, FD.io, PNDA and SNAS. Through membership in LFN, NETSCOUT will be able to collaborate with the open source community with its virtualized visibility instrumentation and smart data solutions that deliver actionable metadata and KPIs, driving network and services automation.

“NETSCOUT’s membership in LFN allows us to bring the strength of our smart data technology to enable automation platforms such as ONAP,” stated Dr. Vikram Saksena, office of the CTO, NETSCOUT. “As NFV and SDN technologies gain traction in the network, smart data driven automation platforms will be essential for creating an agile service delivery infrastructure for network operators. Our membership in LFN is an important step in helping to accelerate the agenda for automating network services in a virtualized environment.”

Whether it is deployed as an instance in a cloud environment or as a virtual machine on a hypervisor, NETSCOUT’s virtualized visibility and instrumentation solution leverages the full power of its patented Adaptive Service Intelligence™ (ASI) technology to present real-time views of application performance and end-to-end session trace data. These real-time metrics can be used to drive closed-loop automation whereby service attributes can be dynamically adjusted for proactive service assurance and enhanced user experience.

LFN was formed on January 1, 2018 as a new entity within The Linux Foundation that increases collaboration and operational excellence across its networking projects. LFN integrates the governance of participating projects to improve operational excellence and simplify member engagement.

“We are pleased to have NETSCOUT as part of the expanded LFN ecosystem,” said Arpit Joshipura, general manager, Networking, the Linux Foundation. “NETSCOUT’s service assurance capabilities will prove invaluable to service providers and enterprises as they create their networks and deliver a new generation of services.”

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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