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NETSCOUT Systems Provides Update on Share Repurchase Activities

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WESTFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 2, 2016-- **NetScout Systems, Inc**. (NASDAQ: NTCT), a market leader in service assurance and cybersecurity solutions, is providing an update on its share repurchase activities. During the first nine months of fiscal year 2016, NetScout had repurchased approximately 5.2 million shares under its authorized share repurchase plan of up to 20 million shares of its common stock. On its January 28th conference call with investors, the Company stated it intended to be active in the market in repurchasing its stock. The Company, as part of its existing authorized share repurchase plan, intends to repurchase up to approximately $100 million of its common stock during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2016 ending March 31, 2016 through open market repurchases under rule 10b5-1.

Jean Bua, NetScout's executive vice president and chief financial officer, stated, "Accelerating our share repurchase activity at prices that we believe are attractive underscores our confidence in the strength of our business as well as our conviction about our long-term strategic plan and our ability to execute on it. We believe that our strong financial foundation provides us with the flexibility necessary to advance our buyback plans without impacting our ongoing initiatives to fortify and expand our customer relationships, drive innovation, integrate the acquired Danaher Communications Business assets and further extend our leadership position in the enterprise and service provider markets."

About NetScout Systems, Inc.

NetScout Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: NTCT) is a market leader in real-time service assurance and cyber security solutions for today's most demanding service provider, enterprise and government networks. NetScout's Adaptive Service Intelligence (ASI) technology continuously monitors the service delivery environment to identify performance issues and provides insight into network-based security threats, helping teams to quickly resolve issues that can cause business disruptions or impact user experience. NetScout delivers unmatched service

visibility and protects the digital infrastructure that supports our connected world. To learn more, visit **www.netscout.com**.

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