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## AST LLC Achieves ISO/IEC 27001 Certification

**Naperville, IL April 25, 2018:** AST today received ISO 27001:2013 certification for its Information Security Management System (ISMS).

ISO 27001:2013 is an information security standard published by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC). AST's certification was issued by A-LIGN, an independent certification body accredited by the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board (ANAB) to perform ISMS 27001 certifications.

Upon successful completion of a formal audit process, AST was found to have the technical controls in place and formalized IT Security policies and procedures required of ISO/IEC 27001:2013 (e) certified organizations. This certification is evidence that AST has met rigorous international standards in ensuring the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of:

- All services provided to our customers;
- The data stored and transmitted in connection with those services;
- The IT systems and networks used to provide those services; and
- The personnel who use or access those assets in providing those services.



AST has implemented several security measures and countermeasures that protect us from unauthorized access or compromise, and our personnel are conscientious and knowledgeable in best practices. Compliance with this internationally recognized standard confirms that AST's security management program is comprehensive and follows leading practices.

This certification demonstrates AST's continued commitment to information security at every level and ensures that the security of our clients' data and information is addressed, implemented, and properly controlled in all areas of our organization.

"The achievement of our ISO 27001 certification is the result of months of hard work by our teams in showing AST's compliance with rigorous IT security standards," says Pravin Kumar, CEO of AST. "I am proud of the work our teams have done to reach this milestone and thrilled that now AST's high security standards for our clients' data is recognized by an accredited organization. This only magnifies the ongoing commitment to client and data security standards that have always been paramount to AST's success."

"This achievement highlights AST's commitment to global compliance standards, cloud service maturity, and regulated industry standards, such as those for the Department of Defense, that very few of our MSP [Managed Service Provider] competitors have," adds Subhasis Ganguly, AST VP of Managed Services.

AST Corporation is a Platinum level member of Oracle PartnerNetwork.

## About the International Organization for Standardization (ISO)

Established in 1947, the ISO is an independent, non-governmental international organization that has published over 22,000 International Standards covering nearly all aspects of technology and manufacturing. Today, the ISO has members from 161 countries and 780 technical committees and subcommittees to manage standards development. Through its members, the ISO brings together experts to share knowledge and develop voluntary, consensus-based, market-relevant International Standards that support innovation and provide solutions to global challenges. More than 135 people work full time for ISO's Central Secretariat in Geneva, Switzerland. The ISO is one of three global sister organizations (IEC, ISO, ITU) that develop International Standards for the world.

## About the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)

Founded in 1906, the IEC is the world's leading organization for the preparation and publication of International Standards for all electrical, electronic, and related technologies, known collectively as "electrotechnology". The IEC provides a platform to companies, industries, and governments for meeting, discussing, and developing the International Standards they require. Nearly 20,000 experts from industry, commerce, government, test and research labs, academia, and consumer groups participate in IEC Standardization work.

## About A-LIGN

Headquartered in Tampa, Florida and established in 2009, A-LIGN is a global information security, cyber risk advisory, and compliance solutions provider specializing in helping businesses across a variety of industries navigate the complexities of their specific audit and security assessment needs. Founded by former "Big 4" executives and security specialists, A-LIGN is dedicated to making the security and compliance process as seamless and efficient as possible for its clients. A-LIGN is a licensed CPA firm, QSAC, accredited ISO 27001 certification body, HITRUST Assessor, and accredited FedRAMP 3PAO providing security, assurance, and compliance solutions.

## About Applications Software Technology (AST) LLC

Established in 1995, AST is a Platinum level member of Oracle PartnerNetwork (OPN), and Oracle Cloud Premier Partner. AST's services encompass all aspects of Oracle Cloud Applications, Business Intelligence, Enterprise Performance Management, and Middleware implementations. AST offers flexible Managed Services and comprehensive Oracle University courses customized to the needs of our Public Sector and Commercial customers. Clients look to AST for leadership and assistance in systems integration, business process redesign, project management, systems administration, and training.

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