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Sprint Hosting Receives SAS 70 and SysTrust Assurances

KANSAS CITY, Mo., - March 22, 2002 - Sprint (NYSE: FON, PCS) has received third-party assurances on the adequacy of controls and the availability, security, integrity and maintainability of its managed-hosting and collocation services under the Statement of Auditing Standards Number 70 (SAS 70) and SysTrust assurances for its nationwide Internet Centers. These assurances are critical for the financial services, manufacturing and healthcare segments.

Issued under guidance established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), SAS 70 and SysTrust assures that enterprises can utilize Sprint E|Solutions to be their managed services provider with confidence. More companies are requiring proof that their hosting provider has a stable and secure network in place to support the exchange of private customer financial data — SAS 70 and SysTrust help provide that proof. Thus, Sprint E|Solutions' Internet Centers have the infrastructure and processes in place to help ensure its customers are provided the highest levels of control.

“SAS 70 and SysTrust are important assurance standards for the financial service segment for years. Recent legislation (the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996) makes these assurances critical for the healthcare segment as well,” said Keith Paglus, president, Sprint E|Solutions. “Sprint is dedicated to providing full managed hosting service solutions that effectively serve all of our customers' security and control needs.”

SAS 70 addresses Sprint's controls related to financial statement assertions. To obtain SAS 70 assurance, an independent Certified Public Accountant (CPA) evaluates Internet Center controls that may be relevant to a customer's internal audit controls for its financial statements. The SAS 70 report also provides a description of the Internet Centers and a description of controls in place at the Internet Centers.

A SysTrust evaluation, also conducted by a CPA, measures the reliability of a service provider's system based on the standards set forth by the AICPA relating to security measures, system processing integrity, and the ability to update the system while continuing to meet the previously mentioned requirements. SysTrust assurance addresses the system's reliability using pre-established principles and criteria for all systems.

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In a competitive market, Sprint demonstrates dedication to customer needs by offering facilities and services, backed by service level agreements (SLAs) and the third-party assurances. In addition to SAS 70 and SysTrust, Sprint also has garnered SunTone certification from Sun Microsystems for its managed hosting and collocation services, and implemented comprehensive SLAs, such as one for 100-percent uptime.

Sprint E|Solutions currently offers both of these comprehensive assurances at its Internet Centers in Atlanta; Boston; Dallas; Denver; Kansas City; New York City, Reston, Va.; Sacramento, Calif.; and Santa Clara, Calif.

About Sprint

Sprint is a global communications company serving more than 23 million business and residential customers in more than 70 countries. With 80,000-plus employees worldwide and more than \$26 billion in annual revenues, Sprint is widely recognized for developing, engineering and deploying state of the art network technologies, including the United States' first nationwide all-digital, fiber-optic network. Sprint's award-winning Tier 1 Internet backbone is being extended to key global markets to provide customers with a broad portfolio of scalable IP products. Sprint's high-capacity, high-speed network gives customers fast, dependable, non-stop access to the vast majority of the world's Internet content. Sprint also operates the largest 100-percent digital, nationwide PCS wireless network in the United States, already serving the majority of the nation's metropolitan areas including more than 4,000 cities and communities.