



Virtustream Achieves FISMA and SSAE Certifications that Highlight Security, Processes and Controls within the Company's Services Offering

Leading Cloud Platform and Services Provider Earns New Validation; Key to Federal Deployments and Customer Evaluations Worldwide

Bethesda, Md.—July 19, 2011—[Virtustream, Inc.](#), a leading provider of cloud services and next-generation infrastructure solutions, today announced that its data centers, business processes and operations achieved compliance with two significant industry standards. Virtustream is certified for Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA) standards and conforms to Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements (SSAE) No. 16. These certifications assure Virtustream enterprise customers and prospects that the company has taken rigorous steps to ensure security, availability and business continuity for its service offerings.

Virtustream has seen strong momentum in 2011 as customers look to the company to provide enterprise-class services that leverage the flexibility and scalability of the cloud. Virtustream's enterprise cloud platform, [xStream](#), offers industry leading SLAs for security and scalability to support mission-critical enterprise applications. The company also owns and operates [data centers](#) in Vienna, Va., San Francisco and London to ensure customers have access to a resilient, high performance environment for IT operations.

"For enterprises, information security, reliability and availability of their IT infrastructure – whether hosted in a private cloud or in a multi-tenanted cloud environment – is of utmost importance, especially for federal agencies that are required to comply with rigorous standards," said Kevin Reid, chief executive officer and chief technology officer, Virtustream. "Virtustream's FISMA and SSAE certifications reiterate our commitment to delivering a truly compliant enterprise-class service and environment that is backed by years of virtualization and IT management expertise. We were pleased to find that our data centers and innovative approach to security conforms to such strict standards."

FISMA, as overseen by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), requires federal agencies and government contractors to develop, document and implement programs and processes to ensure agency-wide information security. Virtustream's operational security has been carefully evaluated, including its information security policy, access management and controls, incident management reporting and business continuity plans, among other operational controls. FISMA certification is critical as Virtustream evolves its federal service offering.

SSAE No. 16 compliance validates that Virtustream's processes, procedures and controls have been formally evaluated and tested by an independent accounting and auditing firm. Virtustream is one of the first U.S. organizations to achieve SSAE compliance, which replaced the legacy standard SAS70, an

important accomplishment as the standard is recognized by companies throughout the world. SSAE 16 is designated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and validates organizations' internal controls as they relate to an audit of the financial statements of its customers.

About Virtustream

Virtustream (www.virtustream.com) is an innovative cloud provisioning firm committed to delivering next-generation infrastructure services to enterprise class customers. We leverage our secure high performance platform, xStream, to deliver highly available and elastic compute resources at true consumption-based pricing. We lead our Cloud Platform Services with [Cloud Advisory Services](#), providing expertise in the areas of cloud adoption, migration and architecture strategies and infrastructure-related integration services. We provide ongoing support for our [Cloud Platform Services](#) through two groups: our [Cloud Cover](#) team provides a managed service, from core infrastructure through enterprise applications and the [Cloud Staging and Networks](#) group that provides colocation, security and network services. Virtustream owns and operates its own data centers in the U.S. and U.K., and has offices in Washington, D.C., New York, San Francisco, Atlanta, London, Dublin and the Channel Islands. Keep tabs on us with Twitter: www.twitter.com/rjrogers87 and www.twitter.com/Virtustream360.

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