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eGroup Named One of 2016's "Tech Elite" Solution Providers by CRN®

The annual Tech Elite 250 list recognizes IT solution providers with deep technical expertise and premier certifications

Mt. Pleasant, SC, March 28, 2016 – eGroup announced today that [CRN®](#), a brand of [The Channel Company](#), has named eGroup to its 2016 Tech Elite 250 list. This annual list honors an exclusive group of North American IT solution providers that have earned the highest number of advanced technical certifications from leading technology vendors.

To compile the annual list, The Channel Company's research group and CRN editors work together to identify the most customer-beneficial technical certifications in the North American IT channel. Companies who have obtained these elite designations— which enable solution providers to deliver premium products, services and customer support—are then selected from a pool of online applicants.

"The solution providers selected for our annual Tech Elite 250 list have demonstrated a commitment to excellence and gained strong industry credibility by earning some of the most difficult IT certifications available from top technology vendors," said Robert Faletra, CEO, The Channel Company. "Attainment of these exclusive certifications strengthens the channel as a whole by invigorating partnerships and enabling the delivery of exceptional customer service. We congratulate each of these organizations and look forward to their continued success."

"More has changed over this last year than the last five years combined with respect to the shifts in the technology industry, and eGroup is fired up to be recognized for the 6th

consecutive year on the coveted Tech Elite 250 list - often leading the charge with differentiated solutions that move beyond the status quo,” said Mike Carter, CEO, eGroup.

As the Southeast’s leading provider of data center architecture, cloud, and managed services, eGroup partners with industry leaders such as VMware, Cisco, Zerto, Pure Storage, EMC, Rubrik, Nutanix and Microsoft to deliver solutions to customers across North America. At eGroup, certification programs are the established standard of its employees’ technical education and employees are continually furthering their skills and achieving advanced vendor certifications.

“To be honored with inclusion to this exclusive group of North American IT solution providers that have earned the highest number of advanced technical certifications from leading technology vendors is a testament to the high bar our clients set for us as their trusted advisor, and the ability of the eGroup team to execute on a strategy of mastering the technology of the next 5 years, instead of riding on the technology of the last 5 years,” said Mike Carter, CEO, eGroup. “This forward-looking investment of time, energy, and effort has enabled us to continually and consistently deliver big results in small timeframes. We’re very thankful to be included – and always grateful to CRN and our many clients for the opportunity to serve and be recognized.”

Coverage of the Tech Elite 250 will be featured in the April issue of CRN, and online at www.crn.com.

About eGroup

Founded in 1999, eGroup provides innovative data center architecture, cloud, and managed services to businesses across the Southeast. Recognized by INC 5000 as one of the fastest growing private companies for four consecutive years, eGroup’s solutions drive customer revenue while minimizing IT costs. With their four-phased project methodology—which encompasses consultation, design, deployment and support—eGroup prides themselves on their customer-driven approach to IT. With access to the best minds in the industry and a can-do attitude, eGroup adopts best-of-breed products, services, and technologies to support their clients’ success.

About the Channel Company

The Channel Company enables breakthrough IT channel performance with our dominant media, engaging events, expert consulting and education, and innovative marketing services and platforms. As the channel catalyst, we connect and empower technology suppliers, solution providers and end users. Backed by more than 30 years of unequalled channel experience, we draw from our deep knowledge to envision innovative new solutions for ever-evolving challenges in the technology marketplace.

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