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VInet Solutions Attains Gold Certified Partner Status in Microsoft Partner Program for 4th Year

VInet Solutions Further Distinguishes Itself by Earning Microsoft Competencies in Security Solutions, Mobility Solutions, Information Worker Solutions, Advanced Infrastructure Solutions and Network Infrastructure Solutions.

ADELAIDE, SA, Australia — 5th. November, 2008 — VInet Solutions today announced it has attained Gold Certified Partner status in the Microsoft Partner Program with a competency in Security Solutions, Mobility Solutions, Information Worker Solutions, Advanced Infrastructure Solutions and Network Infrastructure Solutions, recognizing VInet Solutions' expertise and impact in the technology marketplace. As a Gold Certified Partner, VInet Solutions has demonstrated expertise with Microsoft technologies and a proven ability to meet customers' needs. Microsoft Gold Certified Partners receive a rich set of benefits, including access, training and support, giving them a competitive advantage in the channel.

VInet Solutions was founded in 2004 by 2 young South Australian entrepreneurs with a vision to provide robust Microsoft-based IT solutions to the Small-to-Medium business market using industry-standard enterprise software. The company has expanded over the past 12 months to provide Hosted Solutions on the Microsoft platform along with the addition of an enterprise consulting services divisions.

“We are extremely pleased to have attained Gold Certified Partner status in the Microsoft Partner Program for yet another year. This allows us to clearly promote our ongoing expertise and relationship with Microsoft to our customers,” said Michael Przytula, Director of Strategy & Technology at VInet Solutions. “The benefits provided

through our Gold Certified Partner status will allow us to continue to enhance the offerings that we provide for customers.”

“Customers are looking for partner companies that can bridge the gap between their business demands and technology capabilities,” said Allison Watson, corporate vice president of the Worldwide Partner Group at Microsoft Corp. “They need to trust in a company that can act as an expert adviser for their long-term strategic technology plans. Microsoft Gold Certified Partners, which have certified expertise and direct training and support from Microsoft, can build a positive customer experience with our technologies. Today, Microsoft again recognizes VInet Solutions as a Gold Certified Partner for demonstrating its expertise in providing customer satisfaction using Microsoft products and technology.”

As one of the requirements for attaining Gold Certified Partner status, VInet Solutions had to declare a Microsoft Competency. Microsoft Competencies are designed to help differentiate a partner’s capabilities with specific Microsoft technologies to customers looking for a particular type of solution. Each Competency has a unique set of requirements and benefits, formulated to accurately represent the specific skills and services that partners bring to the technology industry. Within select Competencies, there are Specialisations that focus on specific solution areas that recognize deeper expertise within that Competency. Serving as a specialized path to earning those Competencies, Specialisations give direct access to the tools and resources that support that specific area of focus.

The Advanced Infrastructure Solutions Competency is designed for partners with proven expertise in designing and/or implementing complex infrastructure solutions, such as the Active Directory service, and Microsoft Host Integration Server-based design and deployment solutions, and Microsoft Exchange Server migration or deployment solutions. Because customers are increasingly asking to do more with less, partners with the Advanced Infrastructure Solutions Competency can identify their unique skill in helping customers access management solutions, improve operational efficiency and

reduce security risks. Specializations within the competency include Microsoft Active Directory and Identity Management, Microsoft Exchange Server Migration and Deployment, Microsoft Hosting Solutions, Microsoft Systems Management Solutions and Microsoft Storage Solutions.

“Our industry partners allow us to deliver high-quality solutions and applications to our customers. And we’re always looking at ways to improve our relationships,” said Paul Flessner, Senior Vice President of Server Applications at Microsoft Corp.

“Solutions competencies enable Microsoft to provide resources and training to partners seeking to meet, and even surpass, customer needs. The competencies also provide industry partners with a way to showcase their expertise to customers that depend on them for services, such as building critical infrastructure including storage and hosting solutions.”

“Customers having an integrated security solution that spans client and server technology, mobile devices, and across the network edge to enhance protection of their business and its assets is crucial,” said Mark Hassall, Director of Security and Access Product Management at Microsoft Corp. “Partners specializing in Infrastructure Security through the Security Solutions Competency are uniquely able to work with customers to better secure and manage their infrastructure from platform to network.”

The Microsoft Partner Program was launched in October 2003 and represents Microsoft’s ongoing commitment to the success of partners worldwide. The program offers a single, integrated partnering framework that recognizes partner expertise, rewards the total impact that partners have in the technology marketplace, and delivers more value to help partners’ businesses be successful.

About VInet Solutions

VInet Solutions Pty. Ltd. is a South Australian owned and operated IT services and consulting organisation providing services to small-to-medium business, large corporate, government, education and defence clients across Australia and New Zealand.

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