

Data Storage Corporation Merges with ABC Services

Acquisition enables the extension of network and data security solutions, managed services, infrastructure as a service, and storage offerings for both companies

MELVILLE, N.Y.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Data Storage Corporation (OTCQB:DTST), a provider of diverse business continuity and disaster recovery protection solutions, today announced the acquisition of ABC Services and ABC Services II, a 25-year provider of IBM equipment, infrastructure as a service, managed and professional services, including the remaining 50% ownership of Secure Infrastructure and Services.

Due to the acquisition, Data Storage Corporation will expand its current solutions including email archival and compliance, Recovery Cloud, Office 365, IBM DR and Cloud Servers, while leveraging ABC's network and data security, managed services and equipment. Tom Kempster, president of ABC, will be responsible for DSC's Technical Operations Group and will serve as president of that unit. Hal Schwartz, president of Secure Infrastructure and Services, will serve as DSC's new president.

"We plan to grow our organization organically as well as through strategic acquisitions," stated Chuck Piluso, chairman and CEO, DSC. "We have had a six-year relationship with Tom and Hal and are excited about the potential. As part of the acquisition, we expanded our client base, extended our service offerings and gained the expertise of an excellent management and technical team that has been providing managed services and infrastructure for over 25 years."

Tom Kempster added, "Our businesses unifying in the present shall be seen as our first steps in the creation of additional value for our clients. This merger presents DSC as a leader, in that we have a technical team, client response times and infrastructure second to none."

"I am excited about the merger and the opportunities the merger will provide to both Data Storage Corporation and our clients as our services are in high demand across all markets and industries," stated Hal Schwartz. "Because of the merger, we now have first-class management and technical teams, which will allow us to deliver and support full service, security, cloud, hybrid cloud and cloud backup solutions with the highest confidence and service levels."

More information about DSC can be found by visiting <u>www.DataStorageCorp.com</u>, <u>www.SIASMSP.com</u> and <u>www.abcservices.com/</u>.

About Data Storage Corporation

Data Storage Corporation (DSC) delivers and supports a broad range of premium solutions focusing on data storage and protection. Clients look to DSC to ensure disaster recovery and

business continuity, strengthen security, and to meet increasing industry, state and federal regulations. The company markets to business, government, education and the healthcare industry by leveraging leading technologies, including Virtualization and Cloud Computing. The company provides hardware, SaaS, managed IT services, installation and maintenance. For more information, please visit <u>www.DataStorageCorp.com</u> and <u>www.SIASMSP.com</u>

About ABC Services

Since 1994, ABC Services has been empowering companies with innovative business solutions and assisting them to prosper and surpass their competition. Services range from IBM Power Systems including IBM i and AIX; and, Managed Cloud Services as well as on-premise IT services. The company has the ability and resources to meet a variety of IT systems integration needs, quickly and cost-effectively, please visit, <u>www.ABCServices.com</u>

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