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Astute Networks Signs Manufacturing Agreement with Celestica

Alliance will provide world-class manufacturing and supply chain benefits for customers

San Diego, Calif., October 28, 2008 – Astute Networks, Inc., a leading provider of bladed storage solutions optimized for the most demanding applications on the edge of the network, today announced that the company has entered into a manufacturing agreement with Celestica, a global leader in the delivery of end-to-end product lifecycle solutions. Under the terms of the agreement, Celestica will supply Astute Networks with manufacturing, testing and supply chain services for its Caspian Edge Storage suite of AdvancedTCA® (ATCA) solutions.

After a diligent selection process, the company chose Celestica because of its impressive customer base, global logistics capabilities and ability to scale to meet the needs of growing companies like Astute Networks. Additionally, Celestica meets ISO 9001:2000, ISO 14001, TL 9000 and other industry certifications required by Astute Networks' customers in the telecommunications, media, and military markets.

"Celestica has extensive experience providing quality manufacturing services to technology companies of all sizes in a variety of markets," said Robert Harling, Vice President of Operations at Astute Networks. "Celestica is very closely aligned with Astute Networks' operational strategies which in turn should result in a very collaborative and mutually beneficial relationship. We look forward to working with Celestica to provide our customers with best-in-class products and services."

Initially, Celestica will manufacture Astute Networks' Caspian R1100 Edge Storage Blade (RAID), Caspian J1110 Edge Storage Blade (JBOD) and Caspian E1112 Rear Transition Module (RTM), with full production anticipated in the fourth quarter of 2008. These bladed storage solutions provide enterprise-class features and performance with industry leading storage density, cost of deployment and simplified management in an ATCA blade form factor. Astute Networks' Caspian Edge Storage solutions are designed for high-availability applications in the telecommunications, military and media markets.

"We are pleased to have been selected by Astute Networks to supply its innovative line of Caspian storage solutions," said Rob Sellers, Senior Vice President and General Manager, Enterprise and

Consumer Segments, Asia, Celestica. “We look forward to supporting Astute Networks in accelerating its manufacturing initiatives and extending its global reach from a supply chain perspective.”

About Astute Networks, Inc.

Astute Networks is the leading provider of bladed storage solutions for edge applications such as Telecom Network Control, IPTV/VoD, Military C4I, and video surveillance. Our focus is to provide you the most reliable storage platform with the highest performance, greatest rack densities, and power efficiencies - while being easy to deploy and maintain. Our solutions enable you to achieve lower lifecycle costs, faster time to market and higher competitiveness for you and your company. Astute Networks is located in San Diego, California and is backed by venture capital firms including Tallwood Venture Capital, Sevin Rosen Funds, Scale Venture Partners, KeyNote Ventures, U.S. Venture Partners and Narra Venture Capital. Additional information is available at www.astutenetworks.com.
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