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Mindteck Appoints Merritt Neale As Vice President-Strategy And Consulting

Seasoned IT strategist to implement critical business planning initiatives

Harrisburg, PA-February 7, 2013: Mindteck, a global product engineering and IT services company, has appointed Merritt Neale as Vice President – Strategy and Consulting. In this broad, newly defined role, Neale will help guide the company toward its quest to gain advantages from a more focused solutions consulting model, and he will also oversee the

implementation of several cross-function initiatives geared to strengthen sales effectiveness and customer engagement. Neale will be based in the company's US headquarters in Enola, PA, and will report to Joe Underwood, Executive Vice President.

Neale comes to Mindteck from the Philadelphia office of Grant Thornton, the nation's sixth largest accounting and advisory organization, where he served as Senior Manager – Business Advisory Services. He brings 20 years of experience within the information systems consulting industry, including significant expertise in business process outsourcing and IT service management and strategy. He has also helped develop, implement and operate technology solutions across several industries – including financial services, high-tech, consumer products, health care, pharmaceutical, education and the public sector. Neale's prior roles have included Chief Information Officer, Chief Technology Officer, Director of Information Systems and VP of Security, Infrastructure and Managed Services.

Prior to Grant Thornton, Neale held posts at Andersen Business Consulting, Deloitte Consulting and other international and global consultancies. Among his many achievements, Neale is credited with developing and deploying complex technology and business process outsourcing services in a near shore delivery model from Costa Rica and offshore delivery from India.

"Neale's energy and expertise is imperative at this time of incredible change for all enterprises. All of the advances in technology bring new ways to both enable and engage customers, better ways to operate a company and more effective ways to generate positive outcomes now and for years to come. We're thrilled to have him on board," commented Underwood.

Underwood added that, despite lingering recessionary impacts, over the past year the company has seen huge growth momentum across its three lines of business – talent acquisition, product engineering and IT services. Specifically, engagements in data storage, cloud, and smart energy are trending upward, and activity on the west coast in the US and in Europe and APAC is increasing rapidly. "Merritt's hands-on implementation experience and subject matter expertise on a variety of crucial infrastructure matters will complement our core competencies extremely well, "commented Underwood.

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Neale holds a B.A. from The University of Pittsburgh. He is certified in the Information Systems Infrastructure Library (ITIL) and the author of various presentations and publications, including *IT Security in the Workplace, Sarbanes Oxley and Identity and Access Management*, and *Enterprise Portal Implementation Life Cycle*, to name a few.

Mindteck, a global product engineering and IT services company with US headquarters in Enola, PA, has provided end-to-end services to a Global 2000 and public sector clientele for over 21 years. The company's depth of knowledge and niche expertise in Life Sciences, High-Tech (Smart Energy, Semiconductor) and the Public Sector, is complemented by dedicated Centers of Excellence in Cloud Computing, Mobility Solutions, Electronics and Wireless Design, and Storage Testing. Presently, the company employs over 1,000 individuals throughout offices in the US and UK, Singapore, Malaysia, Bahrain and India. It also has four development centers (US, Singapore and India (Kolkata, Bangalore). Aside from serving its long-standing clientele, Mindteck is also focused on further developing Mindteck Academy, a customized IT training solution designed to fill clients' IT skill gaps and foster local, professional career growth in technology. Initial candidates include qualified applicants who are underserved, such as recent college graduates, displaced workers and military veterans. www.mindteck.com

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