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MEDIA ALERT

The Georgia Technology Center and Southeast Network Access Point Join Dark Fiber Community

Atlanta, February 19, 2013 – The Southeast Network Access Point (SNAP), a leading provider of next-generation Internet Exchange (IX) solutions, and the Georgia Technology Center (GTC) today announce they have joined Allied Fiber's Dark Fiber Community. The Dark Fiber Community is an online resource created to assist those building new and extending existing dark fiber networks.

"We are pleased to welcome GTC to the Industry Associations and Analysts sections of the Dark Fiber Community," states Hunter Newby, Founder and CEO of Allied Fiber and Founder of the Dark Fiber Community.. "Established to provide a secure environment for communications network hardware vendors to come and showcase their equipment and technologies, GTC fits nicely within the ideals of the Dark Fiber Community."

GTC is a test bed and live production facility for network communications equipment located in the heart of network interconnections in Atlanta, Georgia. Functioning as a full-service, vendor and carrier-neutral facility, GTC is designed specifically to meet networking equipment vendor's needs to demonstrate their products to local, national and global network operators. Notable members include the Southeast Network Access Point (SNAP).

"We are also excited to welcome SNAP to the Internet Exchanges - Peering section of the Dark Fiber Community," continues Newby.. "SNAP's next-generation Internet Exchange (IX), advanced peering and SDN networking expertise will be a valuable addition to the over 100 members of the Community. The SNAP's open-network SDN philosophy coupled with its active Brocade switch deployment and A-list anchor members give it an advantage in the

market as a platform for application development making it a excellent addition to the Dark Fiber Community."

Via the Colo Atl facility, SNAP offers 100 Mbps ~ 10Gbps access ports, and both IPv4 and IPv6 peering. Route servers allow networks to simplify their peering operations, while SNAP permits other traditional peering models utilizing either user-managed peering or VLANs as needed to meet member objectives. SNAP also provides an exchange for Software Defined Networks (SDN), initially peering with the regional research and education networks, and ultimately into the commercial networking space. SDN peering on SNAP benefits from the technical expertise of the Georgia Institute of Technology, US Ignite, the National Science Foundation's Global Environment for Network Innovations (GENI), Southern Light Rail and PeachNet, all of which are Charter Members.

To learn more about SNAP please visit www.southeastnap.com or email info@southeastnap.com. All network equipment vendors interested in becoming a GTC Member should email: info@georgiatechnologycenter.com or visit the website at: www.georgiatechnologycenter.com.

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About Southeast Network Access Point (SNAP)
SNAP is a next-generation Internet Exchange (IX) supporting IPv4, IPv6 as well as OpenFlow and Software Defined Networking (SDN). Its mission is to not only support global peering, but also the collaborative development of an entirely new structure for Internet Protocol network peering. SNAP, located within the Georgia Technology Center, is a public IX built on Brocade equipment and the support of its Founding Members, the Georgia Institute of Technology, Global Environment for Network Innovations (GENI), US Ignite, Southern Light Rail and PeachNet. For more information about the SNAP or to schedule a briefing, contact us at info@SoutheastNAP.com. Follow SNAP on Twitter @SoutheastNAP.

About Georgia Technology Center (GTC)
The Georgia Technology Center (GTC) is an active showroom for network equipment vendors to highlight their optical and electrical hardware and operating systems. The GTC was created and engineered to promote interoperability testing, live customer trials and demonstrations for equipment vendors within a secure, densely populated and active Meet Me Room. Membership in the GTC is open to all Layer 1, 2 and 3 equipment vendors. Members can utilize the GTC's conference room to host presentations for current and prospective clients as well as take advantage of introductions to the network operators through the GTC community. The GTC is located within the Colo Atl Meet Me Room facility at 55 Marietta Street in Atlanta, Georgia. Network equipment vendors interested in becoming a GTC Member should email: info@gtc.com or visit us online at: www.georgiatechnologycenter.com and follow us on Twitter @GTC_Atl.

About Allied Fiber
Allied Fiber owns, builds and will operate its own network-neutral, fiber optic cable system, connecting sub-sea landing points, cell towers, data centers, carrier hotels, colocation huts, enterprise buildings, schools and governments with next generation, long-haul and short-haul dark fiber. This necessary dark fiber network, planned to unite along its route the continental United States, is created to address America's need for more broadband access, wireless backhaul, data center distribution and lower latency communications services. Allied Fiber is employing the most advanced fiber optic cables in its multi- duct dark fiber system to meet the ever increasing bandwidth demands for wireless, Video over IP and other advanced technologies thus enabling the development of the Global Broadband Economy for the United States. For more information, please visit www.alliedfiber.com.

About Colo Atl
Located in the global telecom hub of Atlanta, Georgia, Colo Atl, a JT Communications Company, provides colocation, data center & interconnection services, at an affordable rate. Colo Atl is a neutral-colocation facility that allows tenants and carriers to securely and conveniently cross-connect within a SSAE16 certified facility. Colo Atl has no monthly recurring cross connect fees between tenants and provides exceptional customer service. Visit Colo Atl online at: www.coloatl.com and follow us on Twitter @ColoAtl.