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## **Acrodex Achieves a Microsoft Gold Server Platform Competency in the Microsoft Partner Network**

*Acrodex earns distinction through demonstrated technology success and customer commitment*

**(Edmonton, Alberta)** – Acrodex today announced it has achieved a Gold Server Platform Competency in the Microsoft Partner Network, demonstrating its ability to meet Microsoft customers' evolving needs in today's dynamic business environment.

Acrodex continues to strengthen its infrastructure practice and offerings by ensuring it has skills in place to support companies who are considering the Windows Server and Windows Server-based applications.

By attaining the Microsoft Gold Server Platform competency, Acrodex has demonstrated expertise in building, designing, deploying, and supporting the Windows Server operating system, Windows Server-based applications, and the Microsoft server infrastructure. By doing so, Acrodex is better positioned to help support customer business strategies through high levels of availability, agility, and automation.

"This attainment assures our customers that our team can provide the expertise and ability to meet all of their IT needs," said Acrodex CIO Salma Rajwani. "Our goal is to provide the most capable and competent infrastructure solutions team in Western and Central Canada, and we are committed to helping our customers increase their productivity, while lowering their information technology costs."

Acrodex's Gold Server Competency achievement builds on its investment in Microsoft's Core Infrastructure strategy; it previously attained Silver Systems Management, Silver Desktop and Silver Virtualization competencies— key components to this strategy.

To earn a Microsoft Gold Competency, organizations must complete a rigorous set of tests to prove their level of technological expertise, have the right number of Microsoft Certified Professionals, submit customer references, and demonstrate their commitment to customer satisfaction by participating in an annual survey.

"The Microsoft Partner Network is designed to empower solution providers to succeed in today's business environment. By achieving the prestigious Gold competency, participating companies are provided with a rich set of benefits, including increased customer visibility through branding and accessibility, training and support," said Jon Roskill, Corporate Vice President, Worldwide Partner Group at Microsoft Corp. "We are proud to put forth a program that provides the right resources to help a company develop the expertise customers demand in today's competitive market and also provides the community and infrastructure that can connect them to one another, lowering costs for all parties."

The Microsoft Gold Competency signifies to the market that a company has demonstrated the highest level of skill and achievement within a given technology specialization.

All 28 Microsoft competencies are designed to help differentiate a partner's specific technology capabilities, helping customers find solution providers quickly and easily.

Each competency has a unique set of requirements and benefits, formulated to accurately represent the specific skills and services that partners bring to the industry.

The Microsoft Partner Network is designed to equip organizations that deliver products and services based on the Microsoft platform with the training, resources and support they need to provide their customers a superior experience and outcomes.

### **About Acrodex**

*For more than 25 years, Acrodex has been a leading provider of strategic IT services for Canadian business. Today, the company is one of Canada's largest IT solution providers, and provides a full suite of IT services including: IT Architecture and Design, hardware provisioning, software licensing, network & server infrastructure, managed infrastructure support, application development and project management.*

*Acrodex customers include leading enterprise and medium sized organizations across the country, in such industry segments as the public sector, energy, healthcare, education, and oil and gas. The Acrodex team is comprised of over 600 dedicated IT professionals located in Edmonton, Calgary, Fort McMurray, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina and Vancouver.*

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