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VISI Becomes First Tier III Design Certified Commercial Data Center in Minnesota

Eden Prairie, November 16, 2010 – VISI, the Minnesota-based data center, managed hosting and cloud computing provider, was awarded Tier III Design Certification from Uptime Institute for their Eden Prairie, Minnesota facility. VISI is the first commercial data center in Minnesota to receive the Tier III Design Certification from the Uptime Institute.

“This is a significant milestone for VISI,” said Mike Sowada, CEO of VISI. “Businesses can rest easy knowing that VISI has the infrastructure to support the demands of mission-critical applications and 24x7x365 production environments.”

Tier Certification of Design Documents ensures that the data center, as represented in the design documents, are consistent with the Tier requirements of The Uptime Institute *Tier Standard: Topology*. The Uptime Institute is the only firm that is licensed to rate and Certify topology against The Uptime Institute's Tier Classification System.

VISI's Eden Prairie Data Center is built with Concurrently Maintainable infrastructure, with N+1 configured critical components deployed throughout the design. This assures that if any one critical data center component is removed through planned maintenance or component failure, service will not be interrupted.

“We applaud VISI for their commitment to a premiere level of service, as validated by their Tier III Design Certification. This award distinguishes VISI among the claims of self-certified data center service providers, which are often inaccurate. And, it provides assurance to their existing and new clients that they are capable of delivering the highest levels of availability,” said Julian Kudritzki, Vice President, Uptime Institute.

VISI's Eden Prairie Data Center will feature 18,000 square feet of raised floor when completely built out and will be one of the largest data centers in Minnesota. The data center will significantly expand the ability to meet the demand generated from VISI's colocation, managed hosting, and cloud computing services.

VISI will be presenting a webinar in December to help business leaders understand the different classifications of data centers:

Title: VISI presents “Why Data Center Tiers Matter”

Date: Thursday, December 9, 2010

Time: 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CDT

Reserve your Webinar Seat Now at: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/886237218>.

For more information about VISI's data centers and our webinar, call 612-395-9090 or visit online at www.visi.com.

About VISI

Founded in 1994 and recently acquired by Fortune 500® telecom leader Telephone and Data Systems Inc., VISI Incorporated (VISI) is one of the upper Midwest's fastest growing data center services and managed hosting providers. The company offers cloud computing, colocation, and managed hosting services. VISI serves more than 10,000 customers with products and services provided through its world-class SAS 70 Type II data centers, in St. Paul and Eden Prairie, Minnesota. The company provides a full range of Web and application hosting services, first-rate Internet services and support, and personal, expert advice. To learn more about VISI, follow us on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#), call 612-395-9000 or visit www.visi.com.

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