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Digital West Passes Next Level Rigorous Data Center Audit

Soc II Type II Examination Affirms High Security Standards in Place

SAN LUIS OBIPSO, CA – Digital West Networks, Inc., which provides commercial-grade Internet connectivity, colocation and cloud services to businesses, has successfully completed a Type II SOC 2 examination. The exam, known as SSAE 16, which stands for Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements (SSAE) No. 16, is the authoritative guide used by CPAs to review service controls at an organization. The auditors conducted an objective evaluation of the controls <u>Digital West</u> has in place to protect its clients' security, availability, processing integrity, confidentiality, and privacy. The examination was performed by an independent CPA firm, 360 Advanced, and focused specifically on Digital West's data center and colocation services. Digital West provided data, detailed documentation, and even video evidence to 360 Advanced to prove that the security measures claimed to be in place are actually utilized.

Engaging in the SOC 2 exam is a demonstration of Digital West's commitment to world class data services. Scott Bentz, IT Manager of Pacific Medical Data Solutions, stated, "Digital West's SOC-2 compliance is crucial for PMDS and our clients to meet the rigorous standards set forth by HIPAA and HITECH acts safeguarding electronic patient health information. Digital West gives PMDS peace of mind that our data is secure, safe and in reliable hands."

Digital West previously passed Type I of the exam, but its passage of Type II confirms its authority and reliability in providing world class colocation services in a secure environment. Digital West has also previously participated in several successful PCI Level I Compliance audits for its clients, a designation by the payment card industry that the organization secures credit card information at the highest levels.

"Our customers have always had great faith in our ability to securely store and manage their critical business data. The SOC 2 exam is simply an affirmation of that trust," said Tim Williams, Founder and CEO of Digital West. "It positions us to continue expanding our robust, carrier-neutral, data center services to even more clients."

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About Digital West

Digital West is a Data Infrastructure Provider, delivering fiber optic Internet connectivity, colocation, cloud, and consulting services to businesses that demand high quality products and outstanding reliability. Based in San Luis Obispo, California, Digital West currently serves an elite 1000 commercial



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