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Zones Becomes Windows Azure Circle Partner

Zones earns distinction through demonstrated technology success and customer commitment

AUBURN, Wash., December 16, 2013 — [Zones, Inc.](#), today announced it has been selected to join the Windows Azure Circle Partner program, a group of specialized Microsoft partner organizations that provide deployment planning services for organizations interested in moving to the cloud utilizing Windows Azure.

Through its dedicated [Cloud Solutions team](#), Zones offers customers the expertise and tools necessary to plan, implement and manage successful Windows Azure cloud deployments.

“Zones was selected as a Windows Azure Circle Partner due to our vast experience designing and delivering cloud solutions based on the Windows Azure platform,” said Steve Gagliano, vice president of software at Zones. “As a long-term Microsoft partner, we’re pleased to receive this designation, which confirms that Zones is a trusted advisor for organizations moving to a cloud infrastructure.”

“Recognition as a Windows Azure Circle program partner demonstrates Zones’ ability to deliver public cloud solutions that solve today’s business challenges,” said Phil Sorgen, corporate vice president, Worldwide Partner Group at Microsoft Corp. “By joining the Windows Azure Circle, Zones has proven its mastering of Microsoft cloud technologies and continued drive for success and leadership in the public cloud.”

The Microsoft Partner Network helps partners strengthen their capabilities to showcase leadership in the marketplace on the latest technology, to better serve customers and, with 640,000 Microsoft partners in its ecosystem, to easily connect with one of the most active, diverse networks in the world.

About Zones

Zones, Inc., supports business, healthcare, the public sector and specialty markets by applying innovative technology solutions across a variety of specializations including networking, security, software, storage, data center and virtualization. Zones holds more than 55 of the highest distinct certifications in the industry, including Cisco Gold, EMC Velocity Premier, Dell Server and Storage Technical, IBM System and Storage Technical, HP Enterprise Networking and VMware Infrastructure, among others. Zones is a seven-time recipient of the Microsoft Operational Excellence award and was also recognized as the 2013 Microsoft Partner of the Year for Volume Licensing. Incorporated in 1988, Zones is headquartered in Auburn, Wash. and is a certified MBE company.

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