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Knowesis Awarded General Services Administration STARS III Listing for IT Business with Federal Agencies

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Knowesis, Inc. (Knowesis) was awarded short list positioning to serve federal agencies with their information technology (IT) needs under the General Services Administration (GSA) Streamlined Technology Acquisition Resource for Services (STARS) III contract.

STARS III is a multiple-award indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity (MA-ID/IQ) contract designed to provide federal agencies with innovative IT services-based solutions from award-winning 8(a) small businesses.

"Using 8(a) STARS III enables federal agencies access to 8(a) firms through an established contract vehicle instead of traditional open-market methods – saving time and taxpayer money," said John Broughton, Knowesis Director of Business Development. "Knowesis supported five IT engagements providing innovative solutions to several federal agencies over the last several years. We look forward to supporting more agencies' IT requirements through STARS III engagements."

STARS III was awarded to small, disadvantaged prime contractors participating in the Small Business Administration's 8(a) Businesses Development program. 8(a) businesses are those "owned and controlled at least 51% by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals."

The 10-year contract will build on the preceding STARS II by focusing more on emerging technologies and performance outside of the continental United States (OCONUS), GSA stated in a recent announcement. With the available monies at \$50 billion, STARS III is more than twice the size of STARS II, which has a \$22 billion ceiling after the GSA recently raised it from \$15 billion.

Knowesis specializes in solving business challenges through strategic planning and capacity building, evaluation and data analysis, strategic communications, enterprise reporting and program management. Knowesis applies our core functional competencies to the healthcare industry and are highly invested within the DHA environment. Our staff of dedicated professionals are recognized for bringing valuable experience from a variety of sectors, crossing industries and the federal government – to each engagement. We outperform over 92 percent of industry leaders in client satisfaction, per Dun and Bradstreet. Recently, Knowesis was formally inducted into the 2017 list for Inc. 5000 honorees as the 797th fastest growing company in America. Knowesis possesses an ISO 9001:2015 certified quality management system which both mitigates risk and ensures high quality product and service delivery.

Knowesis Inc., as a Center for Veterans Enterprise (CVE) certified Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB), 8(a) Disadvantaged Small Business and Economically Disadvantaged Woman Owned Small Business (EDWOSB), provides a full range of professional consulting services to federal and state government agencies. Founded in 2007, Knowesis offers services in analytics and information management, planning and operations, as well as communication and engagement from its offices in San

Antonio, TX and Fairfax, VA with nearly 200 employees. Our clients include the Department of Defense Office for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Defense Health Agency/TRICARE Management Activity, the Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Health Administration and Veterans Benefits Administration, the U.S. Air Force, the U.S. Air Force Medical Service, and the U.S. Air Force Medical Operations Agency. More information about the company can be found at www.knowesis-inc.com as well as Facebook and Twitter.