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RKON Honored Among the Top Managed Services Providers

Chicago-based RKON Ranked 98th on MSPmentor's North America 200 and 128th on their Global 501 Report of The World's Top Managed Service Providers (MSPs)

Chicago, IL, February 28, 2013 -- RKON, Inc., leading cloud and MSP provider, landed on the sixth-annual MSPmentor 501 Global Edition and the MSPmentor 200, North America Edition, distinguished report identifying the top managed service providers (MSPs).

"We thank our strategic partners for the technology that enables us to deliver best-in-class managed and cloud solutions to enterprises worldwide." Jeff Mullarkey, RKON CEO stated. "We also thank Nine Lives Media for recognizing RKON as one of the top MSPs—giving us external validation of the high-quality work our team is doing as we continue on a path of IT excellence for our clients."

MSPs on this year's global 501 list lifted their combined annual recurring revenues 24.5 percent to \$2.54 billion. Together, those MSPs now manage more than 5.6 million PCs and servers, and nearly 400,000 smartphones and tablets, according to Joe Panettieri, editorial director, Nine Lives Media.

"MSPmentor congratulates RKON on this honor," said Amy Katz, president of Nine Lives Media, a division of Penton Media. "Qualifying for our MSPmentor 501 Global Edition puts RKON in rare company."

The MSPmentor 501 report is based on data from MSPmentor's global online survey conducted October-December 2012. The MSPmentor 501 report recognizes top managed service providers based on a range of metrics, including annual managed services revenue growth, revenue per employee, managed services offered and customer devices managed.

ABOUT RKON, INC.

RKON is a leader in <u>managed cloud solutions</u> that empower enterprises with complete access, control, security, and scalability. Clients turn to RKON to deliver best-in-class technology-enabled solutions to solve their toughest challenges from <u>Hosted Virtual Desktops</u>, <u>Disaster Recovery</u>, <u>Managed Security</u>, to <u>Managed Virtualization</u>. Our passion around early adoption, innovation and high quality design and implementation has been the cornerstone of our culture since our founding in 1998.

ABOUT NINE LIVES MEDIA

Nine Lives Media, a division of <u>Penton Media</u> defines emerging IT media markets and disrupts established IT media markets. The company's IT channel-centric online communities include <u>MSPmentor</u>, <u>The VAR Guy</u>, and <u>Talkin'</u> Cloud.

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