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**Bill Lodes Joins First American Payment Systems Leadership Team**

*Lodes will be responsible for ISV strategy and business development*

**Fort Worth, Texas** – August 31, 2015 – First American Payment Systems is proud to announce the appointment of Bill Lodes to the leadership team as SVP, Business Development and Strategy, effective today. Lodes will be responsible for building a robust sales strategy for the Independent Software Vendor (ISV) market.

“With the addition of Bill, we feel confident that we can serve the needs of ISVs, particularly in growing their revenue and diversifying their product offerings,” says Neil Randel, CEO of First American Payment Systems. “Bill brings the necessary experience and a solid track record in working with ISVs, partners and developers in order to capitalize on opportunities in an evolving payments landscape.”

“I’m excited to join First American Payment Systems and expand our focus on the ISV market,” said Lodes. “We have a solid product suite, including our new 1stPayBlaze product, that is attractive to partners looking to grow revenue and diversify themselves within the marketplace. I’m confident we will continue to create tremendous value through our solutions and strong partnerships as we move forward.”

Bill has over 20 years of experience with 10 years of experience in the payments industry. Most recently, he was responsible for developer partnerships at TSYS Acquiring Solutions, where he was responsible for development and strategy for its integrated software offering. Prior to TSYS, Bill worked in a variety of sales and account management roles at PayPros Payment Solutions and Intuit. Bill has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management from the University of New England.

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First American Payment Systems, L.P., based in Fort Worth, Texas, is a BBB Accredited payment processor that provides comprehensive electronic transaction processing services for more than 140,000 merchants throughout the United States and Canada. First American is celebrating 25 years of business in 2015. In addition to credit, debit, and EBT card processing, First American offers a complete line of proprietary business solutions, including 1stPayPOS<sup>®</sup> tablet-based point-of-sale system, 1stPayMobile<sup>®</sup>, Secur-Chex<sup>®</sup> check services, FirstPay.Net<sup>™</sup> e-commerce solutions, and Govolution<sup>®</sup> government e-payments. For more information, visit <http://www.first-american.net>.