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Data*3 announces new strategic partnership with leading Australian education software specialist TASS

May, 26, 2014; Brisbane, Australia: Data[#]3 Limited, one of Australia's leading business technology solutions companies, today announced a new strategic partnership with The Alpha School System (TASS).

The agreement combines the core skills and capabilities of both organisations to provide best-ofbreed school administration and information solutions to the Australian education sector.

Data[#]3's Group General Manager, Laurence Baynham said that partnering with TASS offers an unique opportunity for education customers to source one integrated software and technology solution, from on-premise to outsourced to cloud.

"It's a great partnership for our customers and an example of our strategy to leverage applications to drive growth of our business in the Australian education market.

"The partnership will deliver new levels of functionality and overall value to our education customers through the integration of Data[#]3's infrastructure, software, Schools Information System and the TASS. web software to provide a more complete cloud-based solution for schools", concluded Baynham.

Data[#]3 has developed a number of solutions for the education sector focussed on data analytics to drive real-time decision making, identity management and workflow automation to streamline school back-office functions.

The TASS. web software is a comprehensive web-based school management system covering student and financial administration, payroll, learning management with integrated student, teacher and parent portals.

TASS Managing Director, Craig McAlister said that the Data[#]3 partnership will provide a complimentary range of services and software tools for schools using the TASS. *web* software.

"This agreement combines the expertise of the two companies to deliver a comprehensive cloud-based solution for schools," said McAlister.

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Data[#]3's national delivery capability will supplement TASS's expertise for implementation, systems integration and training. This will include assisting clients with the move to hybrid environments including private and public clouds.

About TASS

The Alpha School System Pty Ltd develops and supports the fully web based TASS. *web* School Administration system including:

- Student Administration
- Financial Administration
- Payroll/HR
- Integrated Teacher, Parent and Student portal
- Learning Management System.

TASS. web is installed in over 200 non-government schools across Australia, Africa and Hong Kong. It is deployed in either a *Cloud* environment or on servers at the schools.

The company has a long term commitment to evolving the TASS products:

- to take advantage of emerging technologies that become available through the Internet
- to harness the advantages of Cloud based software delivery
- to meet the requirements and needs of an evolving education market

About Data[#]3

Data[#]3 Limited (ASX: DTL) is one of Australia's leading business technology solutions companies servicing customers across a wide range of industries throughout Australia and the Asia Pacific.

The company was established in 1977 and listed on the ASX in 1997.

Working with customer's business and technology teams, Data[#]3 addresses the *Hybrid IT* environment from *on-premise* to *outsourced* to *cloud*, through its software, infrastructure and managed solutions. These solutions leverage market-leading technologies from global vendors and Data[#]3's knowledge, expertise and experience to accelerate the achievement of customer business objectives:

 Software Solutions: for software licensing and deployment; asset management; Schools Information System (SIS), and business productivity

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- Infrastructure Solutions: for hardware lifecycle management; maintenance; and datacentre, network and desktop infrastructure
- Managed Solutions: for staffing; outsourcing; essential support; 'as a service'; cloud brokerage; and consulting.

Data[#]3 reported revenues of \$771 million in the 2012/13 financial year, and has approximately 900 employees. The company is headquartered in Brisbane and operates from 12 locations across Australia.

More information about Data[#]3 and its solution offerings is available at: http://www.data3.com.au

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