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SMS Assist Honored as Bronze Stevie[®] Award Winner in 2017 American Business Awards

Stevie winners will be presented with their awards on June 20 in New York

CHICAGO, May 2, 2017 – SMS Assist, an innovative mobile and cloud-based multisite property management company, was today named the winner of a Bronze Stevie[®] Award in the Most Innovative Tech Company of the Year category in the 15th Annual American Business Awards.

The American Business Awards are the nation's premier business awards program. All organizations operating in the U.S. are eligible to submit nominations – public and private, for-profit and non-profit, large and small.

More than 190 professionals worldwide participated in the judging process to select this year's Stevie Award winners. SMS Assist was nominated in the Most Innovative Tech Company of the Year category for companies of up to 2,500 employees.

"We're honored to be recognized by the American Business Awards and counted among the top innovators in our industry," said Michael Rothman, CEO of SMS Assist. "This award isn't only a testament to our technology and commitment to continuous improvement – it's also about our people and the work we do every day to save our clients time and money."

More than 3,600 nominations from organizations of all sizes and in virtually every industry were submitted this year for consideration in a wide range of categories, including Startup of the Year, Executive of the Year, Best New Product or Service of the Year, Marketing Campaign of the Year, Live Event of the Year, App of the Year and many others.

"Each year the judges find the quality and variety of the nominations to be greater than the year before. The 2017 competition was intense and every organization that has won should be proud," said Michael Gallagher, president and founder of the Stevie Awards.

Nicknamed the Stevies for the Greek word meaning "crowned," the awards will be presented to winners at a gala ceremony at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York on Tuesday, June 20. <u>Tickets are now on sale</u>.

Details about The American Business Awards and the list of 2017 Stevie winners are available at <u>StevieAwards.com/ABA</u>.

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About SMS Assist

SMS Assist is a Chicago-based technology company providing multisite property management to a roster of clients with more than 140,000 service locations. Using its proprietary software platform to manage its network of more than 20,000 affiliate subcontractors, SMS Assist offers a suite of property management benefits including leveraged pricing of products and services, \$50 million risk indemnification, real-time services validation, instant invoicing, automatic service audits and data analysis to ensure quality and cost efficiency. SMS Assist is revolutionizing multisite property management services for its growing list of national and Fortune 500 clients including Family Dollar, JPMorgan Chase (NYSE: JPM), Jones Lang LaSalle Incorporated (NYSE: JLL), O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. (NASDAQ: ORLY) and Colony Starwood Homes (NYSE: SFR). To learn more, visit <u>SMSAssist.com</u>.

About the Stevie Awards

Stevie Awards are conferred in seven programs: the Asia-Pacific Stevie Awards, the German Stevie Awards, The American Business Awards, The International Business Awards, the Stevie Awards for Women in Business, the Stevie Awards for Great Employers, and the Stevie Awards for Sales & Customer Service. Stevie Awards competitions receive more than 10,000 entries each year from organizations in more than 60 nations. Honoring organizations of all types and sizes and the people behind them, the Stevies recognize outstanding performances in the workplace worldwide. Learn more about the Stevie Awards at <u>StevieAwards.com</u>.

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