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Ananke IT Solutions announces its appointment as the only Microsoft Gold Certified Desktop Deployment Planning Partner in Southeastern New England.

Becomes registered to offer Microsoft-funded Windows and Office upgrade planning services.

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Ananke IT Solutions, a leading IT Consulting, Solutions, and Support provider has announced its certification as the only Microsoft Gold-Certified Desktop Deployment Planning Services Partner (DDPS) in Southeastern New England.

Fundable in whole or part by their Microsoft Software Assurance vouchers, DDPS provides organizations with a powerful upgrade planning process for the migration to current and future versions of Windows and Office.

DDPS is designed expressly for organizations considering the upgrade of older versions of Microsoft Office and Windows due to rising IT and Help Desk support costs, the rising cost and complexity of deploying new software; declining workforce productivity due to longer searches, the inability to utilize new applications such as Mobility; and the possibility of catastrophic business disruption caused by data loss and hacking attacks.

“Sooner or later, all organizations upgrade to the next Microsoft Desktop Operating System, and standardize their Microsoft Office Software on one version,” said John Conway, CEO of Ananke IT Solutions. “The key questions are, when is the right time for an organization to upgrade, who should help them, and will Microsoft pay for all or part of the plan?”

“With certification in Microsoft’s Desktop Deployment Planning Services, Ananke’s consultants are able to assist Microsoft customers to create a comprehensive deployment plan that includes analysis, business case, process, and technical procedures ensuring successful deployment of Microsoft Office and/or Microsoft VISTA software”, said Ted

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MacLean, Microsoft Northeast District General Manager, “The results of a successful deployment include increased usage and productivity, lower cost, and improved return on the customers software investment.”

“This provides a secure and lab-based environment through which Ananke and our client’s business and technology personnel work together to assure that upgrade planning is tightly integrated with implementation, user training, and support needs,” said Rob Miner, Ananke’s Director of Marketing and Sales. “For example, the Upgrade Center leverages hands-on experience with technologies like the just-released Windows Server 2008 that are new to the market, but which Ananke has worked with for almost two years in pre release form. This knowledge and the Center’s end-to-end approach helps ensure that the solution is achieved in minimal time and cost, and with optimal and sustainable results.”

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About Ananke IT Solutions

Ananke is a leading Microsoft Gold-Certified Partner and Information Technology Services firm headquartered in Providence, Rhode Island. Founded in 1994, Ananke serves small, midsize, and Fortune 500 clients in the Northeast with a full range of technology consulting, application development and implementation, staffing services, and managed services such as Datacenter Infrastructure Management, Helpdesk Support, Maintenance, Backup, and Recovery. For more information about Ananke IT Solutions, please visit www.ananke.com

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