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Solutions By Design II, LLC and Aretec, Inc., announce approval to partner under All Small Mentor-Protégé Program

Vienna, Va. – August 16, 2019 – Solutions By Design II, LLC (SBD) and Aretec, Inc., are excited to announce that we have received approval to partner under the Small Business Administration (SBA)'s All Small Mentor-Protégé Program (ASMPP). As a mentor and a long-time federal contractor, SBD will provide management, technical, and business development assistance to Aretec to help them more effectively compete in the federal marketplace.

“We are excited to announce our Mentor-Protégé Agreement with Aretec,” said Cida Goldbach, CEO of SBD. “As a graduate of the 8(a) program, we proudly support the role that small businesses play in delivering information technology to the federal government. The collaboration between our two companies through this program will enable us to offer our federal customers a broader range of capabilities and expertise in areas such as IT as a service, cloud, cybersecurity, applications development and more.”

The partnership combines Aretec's core capabilities in data analytics, cyber security, application development and IT services with SBD's focus in cybersecurity and software engineering positioning the two companies to continue their rapid expansion across the Federal civilian, Defense, Intel, Health, and Homeland Security markets.

“We are grateful and thrilled to have entered into this Mentor Protégé partnership with SBD. They gave us our very first shot in this industry and believed that we could be of value to their client. I'm pleased to say we will be able to scale and grow further and become operationally more mature under their guidance. This newfound relationship will enable us to go after complex and larger business opportunities.” said Anthony Rivera, Aretec CEO. “We've all worked very hard to get here; the possibilities for growth for both organizations is exhilarating. As I like to say, let's keep moving forward!”

The SBA Mentor-Protégé Program is designed to motivate and encourage large business prime contractors to provide mutually beneficial developmental assistance to small business, veteran-owned small business, and women-owned small business concerns. The program is also designed to improve the performance of contracts and subcontracts and foster the establishment of long-term business relationships between large prime contractors and small business subcontractors.



ABOUT SBD: SBD specializes in IT system modernization and support as an application transformation and agile process leader. We leverage open source technologies and cloud-based solutions to reduce operating costs and advance the value proposition of automated solutions. We also have a robust cybersecurity capability optimizing security operation centers through the use of workflow automation, technical expertise, and the use of leading edge security tools. Bottom line, we deliver technically innovative, reliable, and cost-effective solutions, services, and products to our federal customers.

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ABOUT ARETEC, INC.: Aretec, headquartered in Fairfax, Virginia, holds a niche market position through the development of data science platforms that streamline workflows from ingestion to deployment. Using open source tools, open standards, and market specialists, Aretec has demonstrated the ability to leverage and integrate a vast number of data sources to extract the most valuable insights. This combination of domain knowledge and data science expertise has enabled Aretec to develop production solutions that have created seas of change by increasing the value of data for our existing customers. Our practices include an ISO 9001:2015, ISO 20000, ISO 27001 and (CMMI) Level 3 for both Services and Development. Founded in 2005, Aretec is an 8(a) certified Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB).

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