Information Security Assessment Solution Developed for Consultants, Auditors and Analysts

JERSEY CITY, NJ and MYSORE, India — July 22 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) — The Knowledge Company, Inc. (TKCI), a Jersey City consultant and solution company, today announced that it has developed a solution for assessing an organization's information security environment. The solution, Information Security Assessment Workbook (I-SAW), was jointly developed with Starsoft, a leading Indian software company, headquartered in Mysore, India.

"I-SAW is a state-of-the-art information gathering, analytical and reporting solution intended to improve the productivity and work quality of consultants, auditors and analysts performing information security assessments," said Kevin M. O'Sullivan, president of TKCI. "I-SAW presents an innovative and methodical approach to assessing an organization's information security vulnerabilities, threats, and controls within a highly structured knowledge-centric ecosystem."

The solution is compliant with the information security practices prescribed by ISO 17799, NIST, HIPPA and other recognized international standard boards and industry associations. I-SAW supports assessments in the commercial, public sectors, and multi-client and multi-project work environments.

"I-SAW, a database solution, is designed to identify and examine an organization's control points necessary to: understand the state of their information security safeguards; assess the infrastructure and governance security exposures; and assist in improving the safeguarding of corporate information assets, " said Kalpesh V. Mehta, executive director of Starsoft. "The solution's responsive architecture allows users to stay focused on the assessment approach and mechanics instead of the supporting technology."

The system's design supports the proposition that an effective security assessment is the outcome of a synergistic bottom-up and top-down evaluation of an organization's security strategies, people, technology, policies and procedures. The system provides the capability to assess the archetypal security elements that are typically incorporated in a corporate information security program.

TKCI's key marketing objective is to collaborate with leading professional services and technology companies to sell and support I-SAW as a key component of their services portfolio.

I-SAW's value proposition offer users the means to:

> *Provide a quick and cost effective way to improve the competitiveness and market image of*

organizations that lack sophisticated and automated information security assessment tools.

* Set-up an information security consulting practice for consultants or auditors with I-SAW and the companion methodology — I-SAW-M Methodology as key building blocks.

* Employ I-SAW as a pre-sales tool for technology vendors to conduct information security assessments with the goal of 'pulling' sales of their leading security products and solutions.

* Use I-SAW's Web Services version to create a new baseline assessment tool targeted to organizations with multiple locations and a recurring need to verify compliance with corporate and regulatory security policies, standards, and procedures requirements.

About The Knowledge Company, Inc. (TKCI)

Founded in 1997, TKCI is a premier provider of business and technology consulting and software design and development with a focus on financial services, high-technology providers and the public sector. TKCI provides value by achieving measurable business results by helping clients manage growth, increase productivity, safeguard information assets, and achieve compliance with laws and regulations.

The company is extremely proud of a recently completed engagement with USAID in Iraq. In this project, TKCI developed a professional training program for use in the schooling of a new cadre of emerging Iraqi business leaders in marketing, business operations, and financial management. The training program is being offered in Arabic and Kurdish throughout Iraq.

For additional information — www.knowledgecompanyinc.com.

About Starsoft

Starsoft, established in 1999, in Mysore, is one of India's emerging technology cities, with the objective of providing quality technical services by harnessing the power of information technology.

The company is a leading Indian IT solutions, consultancy and services

provider focused on delivering affordable business and technology solutions globally to companies in the finance, travel, healthcare, retail, telecom, and utilities industries. Starsoft offers experienced business and technical staff that provides personalized, innovative, and quality-based services tailored to fit a client's unique industry business and technical requirements.

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