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Power LogOn[®] now supports Microsoft Azure Access Smart[®] Improves Cybersecurity with Power LogOn



Ladera Ranch, CA – July 7, 2015 – <u>Access Smart, LLC</u> today announced that the Power LogOn software now supports Microsoft Azure. Power LogOn adds an extra layer of cybersecurity during the initial logon process to Azure. Azure provides Power LogOn customers with an efficient cloud solution, keeping data available with improved security.

Because cybersecurity needs to start before the firewall, Access Smart complements Azure by adding on a security-enhanced password manager. To access the power of Azure, employees don't need to type in their user name and password. The greatest security threat to any company is the employee managed user names and passwords. By removing this cybersecurity vulnerability, Power LogOn puts the control of sensitive data back in the hands of IT professionals.

Power LogOn and Azure meet a broad set of international and industry-specific compliance standards, such as FIPS 140-2, HIPAA, CJIS and many others. Therefore, our customers now extend their data security from the employee's finger tips all the way to data storage. Access Smart's Power LogOn serves small to medium sized businesses, large corporations, hospitals, universities, and government agencies. Whether you have a stand-alone computer, small office network, or a multimillion dollar enterprise, Power LogOn works with it all.

"Passwords have increased security. What is insecure is how employees manage them," said Dovell Bonnett, Founder and CEO of Access Smart. "When employees no longer have to remember, type, generate or know any passwords, IT has the ability to implement very long, security-enhanced passwords that can be changed as frequently as necessary. Passwords are not going away anytime soon. Companies can now help secure them using the latest technologies."

To keep the cost of ownership low, Access Smart has combined cyber access with physical access on a single employee ID badge. "We have noticed an increasing demand from our customers wanting the security and convenience of a one badge solution," said Diane Kehlenbeck, Director of Technology Alliances at Allegion. "Customers can quickly add Access Smart's Power Logon password solution without having to rebadge, recall or reissue cards, allowing businesses to leverage a single credential for multiple applications."



The direct and indirect costs of a hack are estimated to be \$201 per record. "In today's environment of increasingly sophisticated cyber-attacks, our mutual customers rely on proactive solutions such as Access Smart's Power LogOn to help protect their computer systems," said Nicole Herskowitz, Senior Director of Product Marketing, Microsoft Azure. "We are pleased that Access Smart will continue to make its security expertise available to help Azure customers improve the security of their data."

Azure is a security-enhanced cloud computing platform, a growing collection of integrated services - analytics, computing, database, mobile, networking, storage, and web - for moving faster, achieving more and saving money.

About Access Smart[®], LLC

Founded in 2005 and headquartered in Ladera Ranch, California, Access Smart, LLC (a certified CA Small Business) is dedicated to empowering businesses, agencies and institutions to regain **control** over their computers and networks **at the point of entry**. Authentication, authorization and non-repudiation do not have to be cumbersome to be effective. For more, visit <u>www.access-smart.com.com</u>

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