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NEWS RELEASE

Aztech Announces Andy Bennis as VP Sales

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KINGSTON, ON -- Aztech Associates Inc., a leading provider of residential in-home displays for energy conservation and demand management, is pleased to announce that Andy Bennis has joined the company as Vice President of Sales. Bennis joins Aztech from Allstream, where he was National Director of Security Sales at the telecommunications giant.

Bennis's experience includes over 20 years in the Information Technology and Services industry, with a proven track record of software and hardware sales at organizations ranging from startups to established Fortune 500 companies in both Canada and the United States.

"Andy brings an impressive resume of sales acumen to our company," said Geoff Salter, President and CEO of Aztech. "As the Aztech In-Home Display expands its position as the Face of the Smart Grid, Andy's knowledge of direct sales and channel development will be of tremendous benefit to us."

Andy has held senior sales positions with Toshiba of Canada Limited, Digital Equipment, DataMirror, Fastlane Technologies, and Configuresoft Inc. As President of Interwork Technologies, an established North American distributor of security solutions, Andy was responsible for its day to day activities. He followed this up as a Director at Bell Security solutions, and then as Vice President of Computerlinks North America.

"With the demand for reliable energy and cost information exploding, the Aztech In-Home Display adds a level of sophistication to the Smart Grid that elevates the intelligence of the network to unprecedented new levels," said Bennis. "I am thrilled to join the Aztech team as its IHD becomes the preferred choice for utilities and consumers alike."

Founded in 1993, Aztech Associates Inc. is one of North America's leading designers and manufacturers of Smart Grid products for the home. Aztech currently employs 15 people at its Kingston headquarters and design centre, and distributes its device worldwide. Aztech Associates Inc. has offices in both Kingston, Ontario and Annapolis, Maryland.

Aztech's practical and attractive In-Home Display is targeted at those who want a basic and easy-to-use tool that will give them the control to use energy wisely. Combining the novel use of light patterns and graphical displays, homeowners can view their electricity usage and cost at a glance to better manage their utility consumption.

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