



News Release

CSO GROUP'S INTEGRATED SOLUTION SECURES KEY NSW GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT

Sydney Australia – February 22, 2021 – CSO Group today announced the company has successfully secured a four year, AUD \$16 million deal with the NSW Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ). The deal includes the refresh and uplift of cybersecurity capabilities and technologies for the cloud, endpoint and email, leveraging the recently launched CSO Managed Security Service.

The CSO Managed Cyber Assurance Service (M-CAS) delivers a seamless, integrated, Zero Trust platform and architecture providing advanced insights and increased security resilience and protection. Leveraging strategic partnerships with CrowdStrike Netskope, Airlock Digital and Proofpoint, the CSO Managed Service is the first highly sought-after 'Security Coalition' deployment that is further enhanced by its integration with the incumbent Okta solution. The CSO M-CAS, provides enterprises with a unified, proactive and continuously evolving security solution that easily scales.

"Working with CSO Group to deliver the most effective breach prevention technology solution to the DCJ was seamless. CSO Group's understanding of CrowdStrike's technology integration with the Spectra Alliance partners and ability to align this understanding to the DCJ's requirements was exceptional. We are excited about our continued partnership in offering our joint customers actionable threat intelligence and a stronger cyber resilient posture." said Geoff Swaine, Regional Vice President, Channel and Alliances Asia Pacific and Japan, CrowdStrike.

"We are very proud of the work that our team has been providing our customers and the partnership and trust that we have developed with the DCJ. COVID-19 has ignited a rapid shift to an evolving threat landscape for organisations through an increase in remote work, moving people and assets outside the confines of a traditional perimeter. Our integrated Managed Service and Spectra Alliance platform is the first-of-its-kind, providing our customers like DCJ with a scalable and fully integrated, zero trust solution," CSO Chief Executive Officer Michael Simkovic said. "It has been an absolute pleasure working with the CSO team to provide the DCJ with a secure cloud access solution. We are proud to have been selected from such a large group of cloud security vendors and we believe this is testament to the power of the Netskope offering. Having lived and worked on 3 continents over the past 30 years I can honestly say that the CSO team are one of the most impressive partners I have ever had the pleasure to work with" said Tony Burnside - VP Asia Pacific at Netskope.

"CSO Group are showing true leadership and understanding of the Security Coalition's technology and integration, it is essential we have integrated partners like these in our market, to help our customers realise the full benefits of their investments with us all." said Matt Paull – Director of Regional Alliances at Okta.

"We are delighted to be working with CSO Group to deliver Proofpoint's integrated, people-centric approach to cybersecurity protection to the DCJ. Their expertise in bringing the benefits of the Security Coalition to market is second to none and we look forward to our continued partnership to bring best-of-breed cybersecurity solutions to Australian organisations, against an unprecedented level of cyber threats" said Crispin Kerr, Area Vice President, ANZ at Proofpoint

About CSO Group

Since forming in 2017, CSO Group has flourished as a dedicated enterprise cybersecurity solutions and services provider. CSO Group has developed a reputation of trust and delivering high levels of quality cyber security outcomes for large enterprise and government organisations. In 2020 CSO launched its new Managed Security Service, providing a first-of-its-kind scalable, integrated, zero trust security solution in partnership with CrowdStrike, Netskope, Proofpoint and OKTA.

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