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The following is a blog post authored by Rob Salvagno, Vice President of Cisco s Corporate Development.

Cisco Announces Intent to Acquire BroadSoft

By Rob Salvagno

Cisco is committed to delivering the next generation of collaboration experiences to all workers across every room, desk, pocket and application. These experiences include meetings, as well as messaging, calling capabilities and contact center touchpoints. As our customers continue to transition to the cloud, they are demanding deployment flexibility across all of these experiences. This requires collaboration solutions across all workloads on premises and in the cloud.

That s why today we announced a definitive agreement to acquire BroadSoft.

We chose BroadSoft as it provides a portfolio of cloud collaboration platforms and business applications, which strengthen our cloud investments and ability to deliver collaboration solutions to our global telecom provider customers. Following the close of the acquisition, Cisco and BroadSoft will provide a comprehensive SaaS portfolio of cloud based unified communications, collaboration, and contact center software solutions and services for customers of all sizes.

Collaboration is the first step to business digitization and BroadSoft has partnerships with over 450 telecom carriers in 80 countries including 25 of the top 30 globally to 19+ million BroadSoft business subscribers. BroadSoft s portfolio is complementary to our existing on premises and enterprise-centric Hosted Collaboration Solutions (HCS), as well as Cisco s overall cloud investment strategy.

Together, we are committed to redefining the future of work and collaboration to help businesses perform in ways never before imagined, with the flexibility to deploy them on-premises or in the cloud and to better meet the calling and contact center needs of our SMB and mid-market customers.

We also recently announced that Cisco reached its 200th acquisition. With the acquisition of BroadSoft, we re continuing our strategy of strengthening our position in the collaboration market, while continuing to evolve our business model for the future.

We are excited and look forward to welcoming the BroadSoft team to our Unified Communications Technology Group led by Tom Puorro vice president and general manager in the Applications Group. We expect the acquisition to be completed in Cisco s first quarter of calendar year 2018.

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In connection with the proposed acquisition and required stockholder approval, BroadSoft will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission a preliminary proxy statement and a definitive proxy statement. The proxy statement will be mailed to the stockholders of BroadSoft. **BroadSoft s stockholders are urged to read the proxy statement (including all amendments and supplements) and other relevant materials when they become available because they will contain important information.** Investors may obtain free copies of these documents (when they are available) and other documents filed with the SEC at its website at http://www.sec.gov. In addition, investors may obtain free copies of the documents filed with the SEC by BroadSoft by going to BroadSoft s Investor Relations page on its corporate website at http://investors.broadsoft.com or by contacting BroadSoft Investor Relations at (561) 404-2130.

BroadSoft and its officers and directors and other members of management and employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from BroadSoft s stockholders with respect to the acquisition. Information about BroadSoft s executive officers and directors is set forth in the proxy statement for the BroadSoft 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which was filed with the SEC on March 17, 2017. Investors may obtain more detailed information regarding the direct and indirect interests of BroadSoft and its respective executive officers and directors in the acquisition by reading the preliminary and definitive proxy statements regarding the transaction, which will be filed with the SEC.

In addition, Cisco and its officers and directors may be deemed to have participated in the solicitation of proxies from BroadSoft s stockholders in favor of the approval of the transaction. Information concerning Cisco s directors and executive officers is set forth in Cisco s proxy statement for its 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which was filed with the SEC on October 24, 2016, annual report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on September 7, 2017, Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 18, 2017, and Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 13, 2017. These documents are available free of charge at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov or by going to Cisco s Investor Relations website at http://investor.cisco.com.