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HEADLINE: United States Gypsum Awards R12 Upgrade Contract to AST Corporation

Chicago, IL – United States Gypsum (USG), a long time user of Oracle’s E-Business Suite Financial and Supply Chain Management, plus the Human Capital Management suite of Oracle modules, has issued a contract for Release 12 migration services to Applications Software Technology Corporation (AST Corporation) Naperville IL. AST is in a unique position to blend its array of core services with supply chain and enterprise systems from our business experience across multi-industry verticals. With offices across the U.S., AST will deliver best practices to USG users throughout the United States and Canada.

“We value the relationship established in this partnership with USG. Working with a market leader like USG places demands for greater accountability from us as a partner, ... designed to optimize the outcome, it becomes a win for all parties that is never taken for granted”, said AST’s President, Pravin Kumar.

About USG

USG is North America's leading producer of gypsum wallboard, joint compound and a vast array of related products for the construction and remodeling industries. USG is also the global leader in the manufacture of ceiling suspension systems and are recognized as the premier acoustical panel and specialty ceiling systems innovator. USG’s family of products provides creative building solutions that set new standards for productivity and efficiency, helping contractors and architects deliver high quality and innovative designs. USG Employs more than 10,000 worldwide, and is both a manufacturer and distributor of high-performance building systems through its United States Gypsum Company, USG Interiors, Inc. and L&W Supply Corporation and other subsidiaries.

Headquartered in Chicago, USG's worldwide operations serve the residential and non-residential construction markets, repair and remodel construction markets, and industrial processes. USG's wall, ceiling, flooring and roofing products provide leading-edge building solutions for customers, while L&W Supply center locations efficiently stock and deliver building materials nationwide.

About AST Corporation

Established in 1995, AST Corporation is an Oracle Platinum Partner, an Oracle University training and delivery partner, and a certified Oracle On-Demand implementation provider. AST offers professional consulting services to Oracle Applications users and serves industry-leading organizations in manufacturing, transportation, insurance, retailing, telecommunications and the public sector. Clients look to AST Corporation for assistance in business process redesign, project management, systems integration, systems administration and training.