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Northrop Grumman Named Service Provider of the Year by Disaster Recovery Institute International

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MCLEAN, Va., March 18, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE:NOC) received the Service Provider of the Year award from Disaster Recovery Institute International (DRI) last week. The company was honored for its outstanding work in the field of service continuity for state agencies across the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The award was presented at the DRI2016 conference in Atlanta. These awards recognize individuals and organizations who have achieved excellence in the fields of continuity management, technology recovery and crisis management.

"Northrop Grumman has assisted the Commonwealth of Virginia in developing a reliable and agile IT infrastructure for the state government, securing sensitive information and assets, and implementing best practices based on the IT infrastructure library framework," said Ed Sturms, vice president, system modernization and services, Northrop Grumman Technology Services. "Through our partnership, Northrop Grumman has developed a robust service continuity plan for delivering disaster recovery services to agencies across the Commonwealth."

Northrop Grumman ensures that the Commonwealth of Virginia agencies' mission-critical data and vital business functions are protected through data backup and storage services at geographically diverse data centers. The company's data centers are enterprise-class, state-of-the-art, redundant and compliant with Sec. 501 standards which ensures that Northrop Grumman can partner with the Commonwealth of Virginia on their continuity of operations plan.

In 2005, the Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA) and Northrop Grumman forged the nation's largest state government public-private partnership, tasked with transforming and modernizing Virginia's IT infrastructure and providing the expertise and resources to support improved delivery of government services.

Today, more than 2,300 sites at 86 agencies statewide receive services from the partnership, including a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week help desk that averages nearly 45,000 contacts per month, a structured personal computer refresh cycle, a single enterprise messaging system, and improved security monitoring and prevention services.

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