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IT and Engineering Employment Continue Growth Trajectory in December

Alexandria, VA, January 15, 2015 – The number of IT jobs grew 0.1 percent sequentially last month to 4,708,700, according to TechServe Alliance, the national trade association of the IT & Engineering Staffing and Solutions industry. On a year-over-year basis, IT employment has grown by 3.1% since December 2013 adding 139,400 IT workers.

Engineering job growth strengthened in December, up 0.1 percent sequentially to 2,528,900. On a year-over-year basis, engineering employment has grown by 2.1% since December 2013 adding 52,600 engineering workers.

“IT and engineering employment continued its steady climb in December. With December’s positive numbers, we have now had 57 consecutive months of IT growth---an impressive statistic to be sure,” stated Mark Roberts, CEO of TechServe Alliance. “From all the data we see as well as the front-line reports of my member companies, 2015 promises to be a strong year for IT and engineering employment growth,” added Roberts.
IT and engineering jobs are found in virtually every sector and industry in varying degrees. The following table presents information about the total number of jobs in certain sectors that provide a significant amount of employment for IT and engineering professionals.

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<th>December 2014</th>
<th>TechServe Alliance IT Employment Index</th>
<th>Computer systems and design services</th>
<th>Management and technical consulting services</th>
<th>Data processing, hosting and related services</th>
<th>TechServe Alliance Engineering Employment Index</th>
<th>Computer and electronic product manufacturing</th>
<th>Professional and technical services</th>
<th>Federal, State, and Local Government (excluding state and local schools and hospitals)</th>
<th>Total non-farm jobs</th>
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<td>number of jobs</td>
<td>4708,700</td>
<td>1,796,800</td>
<td>1,265,300</td>
<td>274,600</td>
<td>2,528,900</td>
<td>1,060,400</td>
<td>8,489,800</td>
<td>10,690,400</td>
<td>140,347,000</td>
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<td>change from previous month</td>
<td>+ 0.10%</td>
<td>+ 0.5%</td>
<td>+ 0.3%</td>
<td>- 1.1%</td>
<td>+ 0.15%</td>
<td>+ 0.04%</td>
<td>+ 0.1%</td>
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<td>change from same month, one year earlier</td>
<td>+ 3.05%</td>
<td>+ 4.2%</td>
<td>+ 5.3%</td>
<td>+ 2.0%</td>
<td>+ 2.12%</td>
<td>+ 0.1%</td>
<td>+ 3.5%</td>
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*note: all figures are subject to revision*
Sources: Department of Labor/U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and TechServe Alliance

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*Technical note*: TechServe Alliance's IT Employment Index and Engineering Employment Index are the first specific measurements of IT and engineering employment. These unique measurements of total IT and engineering employment are created monthly by studying the ongoing staffing patterns of a dozen IT and computer related occupations in 22 industries and industry sectors employing significant numbers of IT workers and nearly two dozen engineering occupations in 30 select industries and industry sectors employing significant numbers of engineering workers. Both the monthly IT Employment and Engineering Employment Indices are based on U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) data, which are subject to monthly revisions, and are revised accordingly. Both indices are also subject to periodic revisions and annual rebenchmarking that includes revisions to several years of employment data, which also may incorporate new occupational definitions. The publication of both December indices this month includes adjustments to their respective logarithms in order to reflect the changing nature of the respective occupations that make up IT and engineering jobs, respectively. The next revision will be next month with the publication of January 2015 indices to reflect BLS annual revisions.

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TechServe Alliance is the national trade association of the IT & Engineering staffing and solutions industry. Hundreds of IT & Engineering staffing and solutions firms and tens of thousands of affiliated professionals, count on TechServe Alliance to keep their leadership informed, engaged and connected. TechServe Alliance serves as the voice of the industry before the policymakers and the national and trade press. By providing access to the knowledge and best practices of an entire industry and tapping the "collective scale" of hundreds of companies, TechServe Alliance supports its members in the efficient delivery of best-in-class IT & Engineering staffing and solutions for clients and exceptional professional opportunities for every consultant.