

Jim Ketchledge Joins CrescoNet as Chief Delivery Officer

Trusted Leader to Guide Utility Implementation Services for CrescoNet Public and Private LTE Solutions

San Francisco, CA – Oct 19, 2021 – CrescoNet, a leading worldwide provider of LTE/5G AMI networks for electric, gas, and water utilities announced that Jim Ketchledge has joined the company as Chief Delivery Officer. Mr. Ketchledge will guide implementation of CrescoNet's advanced AMI and grid modernization offerings aimed at unlocking new streams of customer operating savings on private and public LTE networks.

Mr. Ketchledge is a trusted and well-known 30-year veteran of utility implementation services in a wide range of applications including AMI, MDMS, GIS, Data Analytics, Asset & Workforce Management, and Distribution Automation. Jim most recently served as Executive Vice President of Technology Planning and Implementation at E-Source, a provider of utility consulting services. He is the author of the Successful Smart Grid Implementation book, member of the DistribuTECH Advisory Committee, and has advanced degrees in electrical engineering.

John Stafford, President for CrescoNet North America and Chief Executive Officer for CrescoNet subsidiary Smart Earth Technologies commented, "Jim clearly brings enormous experience and relationships to our team. As our utility clients and prospects adopt modern, private and public LTE solutions and sunset earlier generation AMR/AMI systems, Jim's leadership in delivering best-of-class system and software integration will measurably differentiate CrescoNet solutions in the market."

About CrescoNet

CrescoNet is a leading provider of highly resilient and secure, public and private LTE/5G standards-based advanced metering infrastructure (AMI), grid modernization, and Internet of Things (IoT) solutions for electric, water, and gas utilities. For more information on CrescoNet visit <u>www.cresconet.com</u>