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#### VISTRA ENERGY SELECTS AVANADE AS DIGITAL WORKPLACE PROVIDER

Avanade and Vistra Energy team up to deliver Microsoft cloud technology to workers that power the high-growth Texas electricity market

**Seattle / Dallas – November 21, 2016** – <u>Avanade</u>, the leader in digital and cloud services, business solutions, and design-led experiences, has been selected as the digital workplace implementation partner for <u>Vistra Energy</u>, a privately held energy company servicing the high-growth Texas electricity market through the TXU Energy and Luminant businesses.

With more than 12,000 mailboxes being used to serve the Texas energy market, Vistra Energy plans to implement Microsoft Office 365 as the foundation for its digital workplace vision and has selected Avanade to execute an approach that will empower its employees and onboard them in the least disruptive manner.

The expected benefits from the project to this constantly evolving workplace are below:

- Improved productivity and reduced costs through a simplified and unified environment
- Easier access and sharing of information through managed services for the platform including end-user support for the Office 365 ecosystem.
- Migration of employees' Microsoft Exchange mailboxes containing up to 20TB of data to the Office 365 cloud.
- Closer connections to the disparate employee base through Microsoft Office 365, including Exchange Online, Skype for Business, OneDrive for Business, SharePoint Online and the Office 365 ProPlus suite.
- Organizational Change Management and training services simplifying user adoption of new Office 365 capabilities to accelerate return on investment
- Delivery of post-migration White Glove support including mobile device configuration for a select group of employees.

"We look forward to realizing the rewards of a cohesive digital workplace based upon Microsoft Office 365, enabling a more productive and collaborative workforce," said Ravi Malick, SVP and CIO, Vistra Energy. "The comprehensive selection process provided confidence Avanade was the choice; given their excellent team, global scale of technology expertise and Microsoft cloud leadership."

Avanade has partnered with over 350 clients worldwide, helping with their transformation to cloud productivity through the deployment of over 4 million Office 365 seats. Avanade has also been recognized for the 9<sup>th</sup> consecutive year as Microsoft's 2016 Alliance Partner of the Year.

"We are thrilled to be able to support Vistra Energy as they embark on their digital transformation journey," said Scott Rodgers, Avanade senior vice president and South Central region executive. "By putting people first and with the objective of superior end-user experiences, a digital workplace

positively alters not only an employee's experience but also the quality of delivery to the end customer. Given Vistra Energy's business goals, Office 365 is an ideal choice to drive increased productivity, collaboration and communication."

### About Vistra Energy

Vistra Energy is a premier Texas-based energy company focused on the competitive energy and power generation markets through operation as the largest retailer of electricity and generator in the growing Texas market. Our integrated portfolio of competitive businesses consists primarily of TXU Energy and Luminant. TXU Energy sells retail electricity and value-added services (primarily through our market-leading TXU Energy<sup>™</sup> brand) to approximately 1.7 million residential and business customers in Texas. Luminant generates and sells electricity and related products from our diverse fleet of generation facilities totaling approximately 17,000 MW of generation in Texas, including 2,300 MW fueled by nuclear power, 8,000 MW fueled by coal and 6,000 MW fueled by natural gas, and is a large purchaser of wind-generated electricity.

#### About Avanade

Avanade is the leading provider of innovative digital and cloud services, business solutions and design-led experiences delivered through the power of people and the Microsoft ecosystem. Our professionals combine technology, business and industry expertise to build and deploy solutions to realize results for our clients and their customers. Avanade has 29,000 digitally connected people across 23 countries, bringing clients the best thinking through a collaborative culture that honors diversity and reflects the communities in which we operate. Majority owned by Accenture, Avanade was founded in 2000 by Accenture LLP and Microsoft Corporation. Learn more at <u>www.avanade.com</u>.

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