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## Shatter I.T. LLC Receives SOC 1 Type I Attestation Report

Independent Audit Verifies Shatter I.T.'s Internal Controls and Processes

**Buffalo, NY – November, 2, 2012–** Shatter I.T., a data center service, today announced that it has completed its semi-annual SOC 1 (Service Organization Control) Type I audit. This certification attestation verifies that Shatter I.T. has the proper internal controls and processes in place to deliver high quality services to its clients.

KirkpatrickPrice, a licensed CPA firm, performed the audit and appropriate testing of Shatter I.T.'s controls that may affect its clients' financial statements. In accordance with SSAE 16 (Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements), the SOC 1 Type I audit report includes Shatter I.T.'s description of controls as well as the detailed testing of its controls over a minimum six-month period. Shatter I.T. completed its SOC 1 audit on July 31, 2012.

"This achievement is consistent with Shatter I.T.'s unwavering dedication to customer service and operational excellence. I'm pleased to see that it confirms Shatter I.T.'s commitment to industry best practices, with the ultimate goal of keeping its customers' critical systems and data needs secure," said Peter Ronca, President and CEO of Shatter I.T.

"Many of the Shatter I.T. clients rely on their systems to process or store sensitive data," said Joseph Kirkpatrick, Managing Partner with KirkpatrickPrice. "As a result, Shatter I.T. has implemented best practice controls demanded by their customers to address Information Security risks. Our third-party opinion validates these controls and the tests we perform provide assurance regarding the managed solutions provided by Shatter I.T."

SOC 1 Type I is a reporting on the controls at a service organization that was established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). This report is in compliance with the SSAE 16 auditing standards which focus on the controls of a service organization that are relevant to an audit of a user entity's financial statements. The standard demonstrates that an organization has adequate controls and processes in place. Federal regulations such as Sarbanes-Oxley, Gramm-Leach-Bliley and the Health Insurance Profitability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) require corporations to audit the internal controls of their suppliers, including those that provide technology services.

## About Shatter I.T.

Shatter I.T. (Shatter) is a data center provider that monitors and manages the mission critical systems of its clients. Shatter is the only regional (Western New York) data center with a true 24/7 staffed onsite Network Operations Center (NOC). Shatter I.T. offers co-location services, monitoring services, SnapShot services, remote monitoring services, cloud services, disaster avoidance/recovery services, and system back-up/restore services.

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