

Digital Realty Appoints Edward Diver Chief Information Officer and Michael Montoya Chief Information Security Officer

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SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Digital Realty (NYSE: DLR), a leading global provider of data center, colocation and interconnection solutions, announced today the appointments of Edward Diver as Chief Information Officer and Michael Montoya as Chief Information Security Officer. Mr. Diver reports to Chief Financial Officer Andy Power and is responsible for managing the company's global IT operations, including both internal functions as well as customer-facing applications. Mr. Montoya reports to Executive Vice President, Operations Erich Sanchack and is responsible for overseeing Digital Realty's company-wide information security technology and programs and managing risks related to confidentiality, integrity and availability of systems and data.

"Ed is distinguished not only by his superb technical skills, but also by his strategic leadership and ability to architect and execute transformational IT programs," said Mr. Power. "In addition, he has served on customer advisory boards for Microsoft, IBM, HP, Oracle and Sun Microsystems and is particularly well-suited to understand and meet the needs of our customers. With his broad range of experience, Ed will ensure we continue to drive best-in-class technology solutions and capabilities for our employees and customers."

Mr. Diver brings more than 30 years of experience leading global teams of technology professionals. He has spearheaded IT transformations at a number of Fortune 500 companies where he managed international divisions of up to 700 employees and budgets in excess of \$300 million across a number of verticals. He most recently served as Vice President, Application Services and Interim CIO at Blue Shield of California where he was responsible for the organization's architecture, applications, infrastructure, security, and operations organizations. He has also held leadership roles at Safeway, PeopleSoft, and Novell. Mr. Diver received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration in Accounting from the University of Texas.

"Michael brings a unique combination of operational and strategic expertise to his new role at Digital Realty and we're excited to welcome him to the team," said Mr. Sanchack. "Michael has extensive experience overseeing global, full-spectrum cybersecurity programs, including managing the demanding and complex requirements of hyperscale cloud providers. This experience will prove invaluable as he helps us to ensure our security resources are aligned to drive the success of our customers. His appointment further reflects Digital Realty's continued commitment to and investment in providing our customers a secure physical and logical environment."

Mr. Montoya has held a number of executive leadership roles in the technology and cloud industries. He most recently served as Chief Cybersecurity Officer at Microsoft, where he led security initiatives and operations for the development and delivery of Microsoft cloud security products and services. Prior to Microsoft, Mr. Montoya served as Vice President of Cloud and Managed Services at FireEye, where he led cloud-security operations and redesigned the company's global data center infrastructure to improve performance and security. Mr. Montoya has also held leadership positions at EMC Corporation, Avande Inc. and INC. Mr. Montoya received a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from the University of New Mexico.

About Digital Realty

Digital Realty supports the data center, colocation and interconnection strategies of more than 2,300 firms across its secure, network-rich portfolio of data centers located throughout North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. Digital Realty's clients include domestic and international companies of all sizes, ranging from cloud and information technology services, communications and social networking to financial services, manufacturing, energy, healthcare, and consumer products. www.digitalrealty.com

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