

Boingo's Derek Peterson Named CTO of the Year

'Los Angeles Business Journal' Honors Executive for Technical Achievements in Wireless Industry

LOS ANGELES, March 28, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>Boingo Wireless</u> (NASDAQ:WIFI), the leading DAS, small cell and Wi-Fi provider that serves consumers, carriers and advertisers worldwide, today announced that its chief technology officer, Derek Peterson, Ph.D., has been named CTO of the Year by the *Los Angeles Business Journal*. The publication's annual CTO Awards recognized Dr. Peterson for leading Boingo to milestones that include the launch of <u>Passpoint</u>, international expansion of <u>Boingo Broadband</u> and deployment of cellular distributed antenna systems (DAS) and small cell networks at large public venues across the country.

"The L.A. tech scene is booming, with a community that is bigger and stronger than ever," said Matthew A. Toledo, President and Publisher at *Los Angeles Business Journal*. "Our CTO Awards recognize the prominent leaders who are at the forefront of driving innovation and fueling the type of growth that makes L.A. a world class tech hub. Congratulations to Dr. Derek Peterson for taking home the prestigious CTO of the Year honor."

As Boingo's lead technical strategist, Dr. Peterson is pioneering the adoption and deployment of the latest wireless technologies including Passpoint, an auto-authenticating Wi-Fi solution, and network functions virtualization (NFV). He is an industry advocate for the network convergence of licensed and unlicensed spectrum to accommodate the rapid growth of mobile data traffic and helps drive standards adoption through his involvement with the Wireless Broadband Alliance, MulteFire Alliance, CBRS Alliance, Wi-Fi Alliance, WIA's Innovation Council and the New IP Agency (NIA).

"Los Angeles boasts one of the most thriving and competitive tech landscapes, making us incredibly proud to see Derek come out on top as CTO of the Year," said David Hagan, CEO, Boingo. "He is an exceptional leader who is key to moving our business forward and together we celebrate his accomplishments."

Under Dr. Peterson's leadership, Boingo was recently honored with wireless industry awards that include the 2016 Wireless Broadband Alliance award for "Best Converged Operator Deployment;" 2016 *Light Reading* award for "Most Innovative Wireless Service;" 2015 Wi-Fi Industry awards for "Best Wi-Fi Network Operator" and "Best Wi-Fi Service for Vertical Markets" and the 2014 *Light Reading* Leading Light award for "Most Innovative Carrier Wi-Fi Deployment."

"My sincere thanks to *Los Angeles Business Journal* and the team of judges for this recognition," said Dr. Peterson. "None of this would be possible without the amazing team of executives and engineers that I have the pleasure of working alongside at Boingo. I share this award with all of them."

In addition to winning CTO of the Year, Boingo's engineering team was a finalist in the IT Team of the Year category.

For more information on Boingo, visit boingo.com.

About Boingo Wireless

Boingo Wireless, Inc. (NASDAQ:WIFI) helps the world stay connected. Our vast footprint of small cell networks cover more than a million DAS and Wi-Fi locations and reaches more than 1 billion consumers annually - in places as varied as airports, stadiums, universities, and military bases. For more information about the Boingo story, visit www.boingo.com.

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