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Cetrom, a provider of custom cloud hosting solutions for accounting firms, has completed the intensive Service Organization Control (SOC) 2 Type II with HIPAA/HITECH audit. This compliance certifies, according to the standards defined by the Association of International Certified Professional Accountants (AICPA), that Cetrom's information security practices, policies and procedures meet the SOC 2 Type II standard principles for security, availability and confidentiality across it's geographically disparate data centers.

With the growing cybersecurity threats and increasingly stringent compliance standards, it has become customary for firms of all sizes to require strict assurance certifications when working with outsourced experts. CPA firms do not have the time or expertise to analyze, maintain and evolve their own IT systems; including their

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Compliance with AICPA's process means the measures instituted by Cetrom are not only appropriate, but strictly maintained and enforced.

Christopher Stark, president and CEO of Cetrom, said, "SOC 2 Type II compliance is the standard when it comes to data security assurance certifications. It's what all trusted Cloud providers should be doing to better protect their clients. When we set out years ago as one of the first Cloud providers to complete a SOC 2 Type II audit, we knew we were ahead of the curve when it came to industry standards. We're continuously evaluating how we can take our security, availability and reliability to the next level when it comes to serving our clients. They are our #1 priority."

Since 2001, Cetrom's proven Cloud Hosting Solutions for CPAs have been a stabilizing presence in an often-volatile Cloud services industry and a trusted Cloud and IT advisor for its clients. Cetrom's experienced team of IT engineers have helped scores of CPA firms optimize IT performance, drastically improve security, and virtually eliminate losses from unexpected network failures.

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