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NetPay Press Release

NetPay Merchant Services Limited honoured with BlackBerry Business Enabler of the Year Award

Winners across all categories revealed at gala dinner ceremony last night

Ceremony hosted by Sky News' Dermot Murnaghan, with keynote speech from Sir Ben Ainslie

Eastleigh – 14 November 2014 – NetPay Merchant Services was last night named BlackBerry Business Enabler of the Year at the 2014 National Business Awards gala dinner ceremony, held at the Grosvenor House Hotel on Park Lane. Celebrating organisations that help businesses to increase profitability by improving efficiency, developing talent and implementing innovation, this award recognises the impact of 'enablers' that offer value beyond support products and services.

NetPay Merchant Services provides card payment services that are more intelligent and effective for merchants through its Revolution platform. The business offers a range of online processing, payment terminal and merchant acquiring solutions, distributing its services through wholesale and strategic partners.

The National Business Awards judges said: "NetPay is a business providing genuinely game-changing insight in 'real time' to businesses of all sizes", and added that the business is "led extremely capably with a tight focus on disrupting a space in dire need of an overhaul."

Carl Churchill, Managing Director, NetPay Merchant Services Limited said "We are delighted and proud to win the BlackBerry Business Enabler Award at the National Business Awards. We are extremely proud of the solution and service that we have developed, providing customers with a real alternative to other payment providers."

Nicole Jay, Director, NetPay Merchant Services Limited said "This award win recognises the dedication and achievements that every member of the NetPay team has made over the last 2 years. We have been working tirelessly to revolutionise payments and merchant services for our customers enabling them to understand what is happening in their business."

Over 1200 business and thought leaders gathered at the Grosvenor House Hotel for the 13th annual National Business Awards, Hosted by Sky News' Dermot Murnaghan. The Awards welcomed Olympic sailing champion Sir Ben Ainslie as keynote speaker, and featured an opening address from Prime Minister David Cameron as well as entertainment from impressionist Rory Bremner.

The winners across all 17 categories included IKEA UK, which triumphed in the ICAEW Sustainable Business of the Year category, ITV, winner of the QBE FTSE 100 Business of the Year award, and Bulldog Skincare for Men, victor in the Santander Small to Medium-Sized Business of the Year category. **see footnotes for all winners*

Moya Greene, CEO of Royal Mail, was named Ashridge Business School Leader of the Year. This prestigious accolade is judged in part by the public and in part by a peer ballot of 40 CEOs and thought leaders, and is designed to reward the business leader that has had the most transformational effect on the company they run.

The National Business Awards' Advisory Board honoured Justin King, former CEO of Sainsbury's, with the Daily Telegraph Award for a Decade of Excellence in Business.

Alex Evans, Programme Director for the National Business Awards, said: “It’s always fascinating to see who will emerge victorious with such diverse and strong competition across all of our Award categories. Showing that any type and size of organisation can win a National Business Award, this year’s winners demonstrate the value of continually investing in people, innovation and customer service - also proving the business case for sustainability and corporate citizenship.”

Dame Helen Alexander, Chair of Judges, said: “Chairing the National Business Awards’ judging panel has once again demonstrated that British businesses are continually evolving, innovating and improving across all industries. I congratulate all of the worthy winners, as well as our Future Champions and all finalists, for demonstrating the attributes necessary to grow their businesses and thus the UK economy.”

For more information and to find out how to register your business for the 2015 National Business Awards, visit www.nationalbusinessawards.co.uk.

The National Business Awards supports the Prince’s Trust, a charity offering practical and financial support to young people who need it.

About NetPay

NetPay Solutions Group is a multi-channel, payment service provider offering a range of online processing, payment terminal and merchant services through strategic partners. The business operates from offices in both the UK and Ireland.

The Group supports a number of partners in a diverse selection of industries including financial services, telecoms, cash and carry wholesale, cost consultancy and trade associations, enabling these organisations to offer card processing and related services to their customers and members. The business has experienced considerable growth by focusing on the challenges businesses experience when using card processing services and seeking to resolve these challenges through a combination of great technology, great service and great value.

For more information on NetPay visit www.netpay.co.uk

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About the National Business Awards

Open to organisations of all sizes from all sectors across the UK, the National Business Awards is the UK’s most prestigious independent business recognition platform with its particular emphasis on excellence, innovation and ethical business. Now in its 13th year, the National Business Awards connects the nations’ professionals through its annual awards ceremony; year round thought leadership and round table events; and is UBM plc’s flagship awards programme.

Notes for editors:

Winners

* All 2014 winners:

| Category | Winner |
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| The Blackberry Business Enabler of the Year | NetPay |
| The Santander Corporate Citizenship Award | Telefónica UK |
| The Customer Focus Award | Northern Gas Networks |
| The UKTI Digital Business of the Year | Electrocomponents Plc |
| The Duke of York New Entrepreneur of the Year | Emma Cerrone, Free:Formers |
| The Employer of the Year | Steelite International |
| The Growth Business of the Year | TANGLE TEEZER Ltd |
| The ICAEW Sustainable Business Award | IKEA UK |
| The Inflexion International Growth Business of the Year | Spencer Ogden |
| The Market Gravity Innovation Award | PolyPhotonix |
| The New Business of the Year | THE PROTEIN WORKS™ |
| The QBE FTSE 100 Business of the Year | ITV |
| The Santander Small to Medium-Sized Business of the Year | Bulldog Skincare For Men |
| The Smith & Williamson Entrepreneur of the Year | Stephen Fitzpatrick, OVO Energy |
| The Social Enterprise of the Year | Hertfordshire Community Meals |
| The Daily Telegraph Award for a Decade of Excellence in Business | Justin King CBE, Chief Executive, J Sainsbury Plc |
| The Ashridge Business School Leader of the Year | Moya Greene, CEO, Royal Mail |

All 2014 Future Champions:

| Category | Future Champion |
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| The Santander Small to Medium-Sized Business of the Year | People Source |
| The Smith & Williamson Entrepreneur of the Year | John Treharne, The Gym Group |
| The Inflexion International Growth Business of the Year | MPM Products |
| The Santander Corporate Citizenship Award | Experian |

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About UBM Live

The National Business Awards is organised by UBM Live. UBM Live connects people and creates opportunities for companies across five continents to develop new business, meet customers, launch new products, promote their brands and expand their markets. Through premier brands such as MD&M, CPHI, IFSEC, TFM&A, Cruise Shipping Miami, the Concrete Show and many others, UBM Live exhibitions, conferences, awards programs, publications, websites and training and certification programs are an integral part of the marketing plans of companies across more than 20 industry sectors.

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