**Atlas Technical Consultants and ATC Group Services to Merge**

**Creating National Leader in Infrastructure Delivery Services**

*Expands Geographic Footprint and Enhances Customer Service Capabilities*

**AUSTIN, TX and LAFAYETTE, LA** January22, 2019 – Atlas Technical Consultants (“Atlas”), a leading, world-class infrastructure engineering, testing, inspection and program management firm, and ATC Group Services LLC (“ATC”), a leading integrated environmental engineering consulting firm, today announced their plans to merge. The merger brings together the companies’ talented teams, complementary service offerings and national footprints to create the premier provider of infrastructure-based engineering, testing, inspection, certification and compliance services in the country. Both Atlas and ATC are currently backed by Bernhard Capital Partners Management LP (“Bernhard Capital”), a services-focused private equity management firm based in Baton Rouge, LA.

Together Atlas and ATC have a nationwide footprint located in more than 40 states with more than 140 offices and 3,200 employees, serving a variety of public and private sector clients. The combined company, which will retain the Atlas name and be led by current Atlas Chief Executive Officer, L. Joe Boyer, is well-positioned for growth as the merger provides added capabilities in engineering, materials testing, inspection, certification and environmental services, a wider operational footprint and the ability to deliver a more comprehensive suite of services to its diverse client base.

For nearly 40 years, ATC and its talented professionals have provided a diverse range of integrated environmental consulting and engineering services to its valued customer base. Over the past two years, ATC has continued to expand its multidisciplinary offerings to include air quality consulting and other expertise across air, land and water markets through its acquisitions of Sage Environmental (now Sage ATC), Dexter Field Services (now Dexter ATC Field Services) and Environmental Compliance Services (ECS).

Since its inception in 2017, Atlas has continued to strategically expand its footprint and capabilities through the acquisitions of Piedmont Geotechnical Services, a geotechnical engineering firm based in Roswell, GA, and San Diego’s SCST, LLC, a leading professional engineering firm.

“We are building an organization focused on keeping people and communities safe, connected and productive with infrastructure that lasts for generations,” said Mr. Boyer. “The merger with ATC strengthens and builds on our existing capabilities, aligns with our heart-led core values and enhances our position as an industry leader. ATC is a world-class organization, and together, we are well-positioned for continued growth with an expanded network and increased resources, which I am confident will benefit all our customers, dedicated employees and the company.”

“At ATC, we hold ourselves to the highest standards of excellence, innovation and environmental stewardship, and this commitment has allowed us to become a leader in project management services across air, land and water,” said Bobby Toups, Chief Executive Officer, ATC. “We are thrilled to be partnering with Atlas, which has established itself as an industry leader, shares our values and will provide us with new opportunities to further leverage our differentiated expertise and integrated approach to expand the comprehensive services and capabilities available to our valued customers.”

“Having worked closely with both management teams to achieve significant strategic growth and operational efficiencies, we are pleased to execute on our long-term vision of creating an industry-leading infrastructure-related testing, inspection and certification services provider through the merger of these highly complementary businesses,” said Jeff Jenkins, Partner at Bernhard Capital. “Atlas has quickly become a major industry leader in infrastructure engineering, construction services and materials inspection and testing, and the integration of ATC will only serve to add value to the company’s strong foundation and exceptional performance.”

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

**About Atlas Technical Consultants**

Combining world-class infrastructure service providers PAVETEX Engineering, Moreland Altobelli Associates, Engineering Testing Services, Piedmont Geotechnical Consultants, SCST and now ATC Group Services, Atlas Technical Consultants is a leading infrastructure project delivery service provider focused on public and private sector. Backed by Bernhard Capital Partners, Atlas has more than 45 offices across the United States with more than 1,400 employees providing comprehensive construction and program management support for large-scale infrastructure improvement programs. [www.atlastechnical.us](http://www.atlastechnical.us).

**About ATC Group Services LLC**
Established in 1982, ATC Group Services LLC provides environmental consulting, industrial hygiene, geotechnical engineering, government services and construction-materials testing and special inspection with nearly 100 locations throughout the United States and over 1,800 employees. ATC nurtures strong client relationships and referrals by consistently exceeding expectations through our professional, well trained, well-equipped and highly motivated team. [www.atcgroupservices.com](http://www.atcgroupservices.com).

**About Bernhard Capital Partners**

Bernhard Capital Partners ("Bernhard Capital") is a services-focused private equity management firm established in 2013 by Jim Bernhard, Jeff Jenkins and a team of experienced private-equity professionals. Bernhard Capital seeks to create sustainable value by leveraging its founding partners' experience in acquiring, operating and growing services businesses. From strategic industry insight to operational efficiencies and best-practice management, Bernhard Capital provides resources far beyond its investments. [www.bernhardcapital.com](http://www.bernhardcapital.com)

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