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**Leon Hounshell Joins EarthLink as Chief Product Officer**

**ATLANTA, GA** – April 3, 2019 – EarthLink, provider of internet and other online services, today announced that Leon Hounshell joins the company as Chief Product Officer. Hounshell is responsible for the expansion and launch of products and services, including the expansion of data and security products and EarthLink’s Internet of Things (IoT) strategy.

Hounshell brings significant experience to EarthLink. He most recently served as Chief Technology Officer and Executive Vice President of Engineering at Greenwave Systems, an IoT company whose software enables service providers to rapidly launch new premium services while addressing security, interoperability, flexibility and scalability. Prior to Greenwave, Hounshell led the Managed Home Solutions Division of Motorola Mobility as General Manager. He also served as CEO, Co-Founder, and Board Chair of the software and services company 4Home Inc, until its acquisition by Motorola Mobility in 2010.

A graduate of the University of Florida, Hounshell began his career at IBM, Apian Technology, Dell and Compaq before co-founding his first company, Atlas Communications, which was acquired by Polycom in 2001. He then co-founded PRISMIQ, where he designed and developed the world’s first Digital Media Adapter, which won seven Product of the Year awards in 2002.

He is also a member of the Forbes Technology Council where he shares insights, from best practices for technology departments to smart predictions for the future of tech, especially as it relates to IoT.

“We are excited to add Leon’s expertise to EarthLink’s leadership team,” said Glenn Goad, CEO. “His experience will have a significant impact as we expand our footprint and launch new products to help consumers and small businesses improve their online experience.”

“EarthLink is a pioneer in providing Internet services since 1994,” said Hounshell. “I’m thrilled to join this talented leadership team at a time when EarthLink can once again take the lead in offering innovative and useful solutions that will resonate with our customers and expand our addressable market.”

**About EarthLink:**

Headquartered in Atlanta, EarthLink offers internet access, premium email, and web hosting, as well as privacy and data security products and services to customers throughout the United States. EarthLink also has key partner relationships with several of the nation’s largest providers, enabling the Company to offer products and connectivity services available to millions of households nationwide.

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