



## Connection® Wins Red Hat Rising Star Partner of the Year Award

### *Recognized for Outstanding Channel Contributions and Exceptional Growth*

MERRIMACK, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jun. 15, 2017-- Connection (PC Connection, Inc.; NASDAQ: [CNXN](#)), an industry-leading National Solutions Provider of a full range of information technology (IT) solutions to business, government, and education markets, announced it has been named Rising Partner of the Year by Red Hat, Inc. Connection was recognized for achieving exceptional growth across the commercial market.

Mark Enzweiler, Senior Vice President, Global Channel Sales and Alliances, Red Hat said, "Connection is a valued channel partner, and we are pleased to honor them with this well-deserved award. We look forward to continuing our relationship with Connection, and helping them to provide the best in open source solutions to their customers."

Tim McGrath, President and CEO of Connection said, "It's an honor to be recognized for our success in helping customers connect with the right technologies to solve their business challenges. In today's dynamic software landscape, that mission requires providing access to—and expertise across—a wide variety of platforms. Our valuable partnerships with leading vendors, including Red Hat, allow us to offer customers innovative solutions designed for their unique environments, users, and goals. We will continue to build on that success and expand our portfolio to help customers meet tomorrow's challenges."

As a leading National Solutions Provider, Connection offers advanced technology solutions and services across [7 key Practice Areas](#). Their in-house [Software Practice](#) has developed an extensive portfolio of services designed to help customers reduce software licensing complexity, boost productivity, and manage data more efficiently.

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