

ARROW ELECTRONICS ACQUIRES DISTRIBUTION CENTRAL

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CENTENNIAL, Colo. -- March 13, 2016 -- Arrow Electronics, Inc. (NYSE:ARW) today announced that it has acquired Distribution Central, an IT value-added distributor based in Australia.

Headquartered in Sydney, Distribution Central is a solutions-driven service provider that focuses on next-generation data center infrastructure, security, networking and cloud.

"The addition of Distribution Central to our presence in the region expands and strengthens Arrow's business in the value-added distribution marketplace," said Sean Kerins, president of Arrow's global enterprise computing solutions business. "This acquisition supports our strategy to expand Arrow's portfolio and build strategic capabilities to help meet the evolving needs of our customers."

Arrow acquired Observatory Crest in October 2014, a distributor of IT security solutions and services based in Sydney.

"The combination of Distribution Central and our capabilities from the earlier Observatory Crest acquisition makes Arrow the leading value-added distributor in the region," said Mr. Kerins.

Established in 1992, Distribution Central has operations throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Arrow Electronics ([www.arrow.com](http://www.arrow.com)) is a global provider of products, services and solutions to industrial and commercial users of electronic components and enterprise computing solutions. Arrow serves as a supply channel partner for more than 100,000 original equipment manufacturers, contract manufacturers and commercial customers through a global network of more than 460 locations in 85 countries.

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