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LeanKit Named as Finalist for Nashville Technology Awards

Innovative visual management company one of three finalists for Early Stage Company of the Year

FRANKLIN, Tenn., Jan. 7, 2014—LeanKit, a visual platform for project and program management, today announced its nomination as a finalist for Early Stage Company of the Year at the 5th Annual Nashville Technology Council (NTC) Awards, to be held Thursday, Jan. 30, at the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville, Tenn.

The NTC's annual Tech Awards honors Middle Tennessee's tech community – its companies, leaders and innovators. "The NTC and the Tech Awards present an incredible opportunity to connect, develop and promote our rich community of developers and technology entrepreneurs, enthusiasts and institutions," says Brian Huddleston, new president and CEO of the NTC.

"Over the past two years, LeanKit has created around 40 new jobs for the Nashville area as part of our commitment to supporting the Nashville technology and startup community," says Chris Hefley, LeanKit CEO.

LeanKit is one of three finalists for Early Stage Company of the Year, a category recognizing start-ups or emerging growth companies that have shown exceptional growth through technological innovation. Additionally, nominees must use technology in a new and innovative way to obtain success and contribute to the region's overall economic health, be registered and headquartered within Tennessee, be less than three years old and have revenues of no more than \$1 million annually (FYI: federal definition of a small business is up to \$2.5 million).

"LeanKit has been able to differentiate its product by focusing on offering a solution that allows people to focus on the work that makes them happy," Hefley says.

About LeanKit

LeanKit is recognized by the Agile and Lean IT community as the most flexible and powerful tool available for implementing visual project management based on Kanban systems. The company is also making a name for itself beyond IT with customers who use their tool to manage and collaborate on projects in fields as diverse as engineering, manufacturing, marketing, customer service, technical support, etc.

Since its founding in 2009, LeanKit has grown rapidly to serve more than 200,000 users around the world at companies such as Adobe, Alcatel-Lucent, NBC Universal, Siemens and Spotify. For more information, visit www.LeanKit.com.