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Artoss, Inc. Announces Hiring of William "Billy" Lapp as Director of Sales, East Coast

## Further expansion of U.S. presence supporting commercialization

St. Cloud, MN, September 24, 2018 / -- Artoss, Inc. (St. Cloud, MN), a medical device company that is pioneering the use of advanced bone graft substitutes to treat multiple orthopaedic indications, announced the hiring of William "Billy" Lapp as Director of Sales, East Coast. In this role, Billy will be responsible for growing the sales of NanoBone® Bone Graft in the region from Maine to South Carolina and west to Ohio and for identifying, training, and managing independent distributors in that region.

Paul Byerley, Managing Director of Artoss, Inc., the exclusive North American distributors for NanoBone in orthopaedic surgery, said, "Billy has built a very successful sales career with small companies in the biotech industry and more recently in orthobiologics and tissue regeneration. He is uniquely trained to articulate the key advantages of NanoBone to orthopaedic and neurosurgeons. He has earned the respect of distributor partners and I know he'll contribute to the continued growth of NanoBone sales in the US."

"I'm excited to be joining Artoss at this stage in its development and look forward to expanding sales of NanoBone Bone Graft along the east coast." said Billy. "It has been my dream to help build a great company delivering products that improve patients' lives."

NanoBone has consistent and cost-effective outcomes in bone grafting in multiple orthopaedic indications. NanoBone achieves these outcomes with no preparation required, excellent handling for surgeons, creation of an osteogenic matrix within 14 days, and clinical and radiographic healing in as little as 8 weeks. The dramatic growth in NanoBone procedures further secures its growing market position as a leader in the bone repair space. There is growing acceptance by surgeons that not all bone graft substitutes are the same, given the rapid osteogenic matrix formation of NanoBone within 14 days.

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## **About NanoBone**

NanoBone was first cleared by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in 2015 after having been successfully used in Europe for ten years. Clinical publications have identified bone graft substitutes as an increasingly important component of many orthopaedic

procedures. Consistent healing in orthopaedic procedures is a significant unmet clinical need and one where NanoBone may provide an effective option.

NanoBone is a commercially available product in the U.S. intended to fill bony voids or gaps of the skeletal system (i.e., extremities, posterolateral spine and pelvis). These osseous defects are surgically created or the result of traumatic injury to the bone and are not intrinsic to the stability of the bony structure. NanoBone<sup>®</sup> SBX Putty resorbs and is replaced with bone during the healing process.

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## About Artoss, Inc.

Artoss, Inc. (St. Cloud, MN) is a medical device company that is a leading distributor of bioidentical bone graft substitutes to treat multiple orthopaedic indications and is dedicated to the development of tools and products for effectively treating a variety of orthopaedic conditions requiring surgical intervention. The company markets, NanoBone Bone Graft Substitute, which is gives clinical outcomes comparable to autograft with less postoperative pain and complications. Artoss, Inc. has an experienced management team with extensive experience in orthopaedic medical devices.