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SOAPSTONE NETWORKS ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF MIKE CAYER AS GENERAL COUNSEL

Billerica, MA, July 16, 2008 — Soapstone Networks Inc. (NASDAQ: SOAP), today announced that Michael J. Cayer has joined the Company as Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary.

"With his experience in the software industry, Mike will be an important addition to our management team," said Bill Leighton, Chief Executive Officer of Soapstone Networks. "Mike is a seasoned professional with extensive experience in contracts, licensing, securities law, intellectual property, and corporate governance."

Mr. Cayer had previously served as General Counsel at BladeLogic, where he helped to lead the Company through the IPO process and eventually through an acquisition by BMC Software in April of this year.

Prior to BladeLogic, Mr. Cayer was general counsel at several public and private companies including Saville Systems PLC, Curaspan Inc., and Trellix Corp., and associate general counsel at Thermo Electron. He began his legal career as an associate at Testa, Hurwitz & Thibault in Boston.

Mike received a B.A. degree from Harvard University and his J.D. from Boston College Law School.

About Soapstone Networks

Soapstone Networks is at the forefront of the movement to Carrier Ethernet by delivering resource control systems that realize NGN software-provisioned services in the new Carrier Ethernet transport network. Soapstone's common control framework decouples services from underlying network technologies. The Soapstone solution dynamically provisions precise, SLA-quality services, continuously optimizing utilization of network resources to bring orderly, predictable business-driven behavior to service provider networks. Accelerating Innovation - www.soapstonenetworks.com.

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