Criteo Secures Its First MRC Accreditation for Retail Media Measurement

Now accredited for impression and click metrics across desktop, mobile web, and mobile in-app environments

NEW YORK – March 28, 2024 – <u>Criteo (Nasdaq: CRTO)</u>, the commerce media company, today announced it achieved its first-ever accreditation by the <u>Media Rating Council (MRC)</u> for display rendered impression and click advertising metrics across desktop, mobile web, and mobile in-app environments for Onsite Sponsored Products and Onsite Display Ads on its enterprise retail media platforms, <u>Commerce Max</u> and <u>Commerce Yield</u>. As part of this accreditation, Criteo was evaluated against MRC's guidelines for detecting and filtering General Invalid Traffic (GIVT), which provides enhanced assurance that marketers can trust the commerce outcomes driven on the Criteo platform.

"We commend Criteo for earning MRC accreditation, an important milestone that speaks to Criteo's commitment to transparency and industry leadership," said George W. Ivie, Executive Director and CEO of the MRC. "Retailers, brands and agencies can now have the confidence this MRC-accredited measurement solution provides in helping them navigate the booming retail media space."

This recognition by the MRC validates that Criteo's impression and click metrics are valid and reliable – providing advertisers with added transparency. Accreditation by the MRC also included a review of Criteo's GIVT detection for both Onsite Sponsored Products and Onsite Display Ads, which enables advertisers and agencies to flag certain invalid sources.

For years, Criteo has been building a commerce media strategy for advertisers to connect with consumers throughout their shopping journey. Retail Media is one of the fastest-growing sectors in advertising and is expected to represent over \$150 billion in global ad spend by 2026, according to GroupM.

"This accreditation is a significant step forward in the maturation of retail media, and Criteo couldn't be prouder of this accomplishment," said Brian Gleason, Chief Revenue Officer at Criteo. "An industry-grade seal of approval reinforces our ability to deliver the highest quality, most accurate measurement for our clients to advance their retail media strategies."

To earn MRC accreditation, an independent CPA firm engaged by the MRC completed a comprehensive audit of Criteo's systems and processes, which was then reviewed by an audit committee comprised of MRC member representatives, to ensure Criteo's platform meets the MRC rigorous standards. The MRC's recognition is a significant achievement that underscores Criteo's reliable and advanced measurement capabilities.

For more information, please visit here.

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About Criteo

Criteo (NASDAQ: CRTO) is the global commerce media company that enables marketers and media owners to drive better commerce outcomes. Its industry leading Commerce Media Platform connects thousands of marketers and media owners to deliver richer consumer experiences from product discovery to purchase. By powering trusted and impactful advertising, Criteo supports an open internet that encourages discovery, innovation, and choice. For more information, please visit www.criteo.com.

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This press release contains forward-looking statements, including our expectations regarding our market opportunity and future growth prospects and other statements that are not historical facts and involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially. Factors that might cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to: failure related to our technology and our ability to innovate and respond to changes in technology, uncertainty regarding our ability to access a consistent supply of internet display advertising inventory and expand access to such inventory, including without limitation uncertainty regarding the timing and scope of proposed changes to and enhancements of the Chrome browser announced by Google, investments in new business opportunities and the timing of these investments, whether the projected benefits of acquisitions materialize as expected, uncertainty regarding international growth and expansion (including related to changes in a specific country's or region's political or economic conditions), the impact of competition, uncertainty regarding legislative, regulatory or self-regulatory developments regarding data privacy matters and the impact of efforts by other participants in our industry to comply therewith, the impact of consumer resistance to the collection and sharing of data, our ability to access data through third parties, failure to enhance our brand cost-effectively, recent growth rates not being indicative of future growth, our ability to manage growth, potential fluctuations in operating results, our ability to grow our base of clients, and the financial impact of maximizing Contribution ex-TAC, as well as risks related to future opportunities and plans, including the uncertainty of expected future financial performance and results and those risks detailed from time-to-time under the caption "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in the Company's SEC filings and reports, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 23, 2024, and in subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q as well as future filings and reports by the Company. Importantly, at this time, macro-economic conditions including inflation and rising interest rates in the U.S. have impacted Criteo's business, financial condition, cash flow and results of operations.

Except as required by law, the Company undertakes no duty or obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained in this release as a result of new information, future events, changes in expectations or otherwise.