## Nuance Appoints Tom Beaudoin, Executive Vice President, Business Transformation

## Accomplished Finance and Operations Executive to Lead Multi-Year Organizational and Productivity Initiative

BURLINGTON, Mass., November 28, 2017 – <u>Nuance Communications, Inc.</u> (NASDAQ: NUAN) today announced that it has appointed Tom Beaudoin as its executive vice president, Business Transformation. In this role, Mr. Beaudoin will oversee a variety of initiatives intended to fuel the company's growth by rationalizing its portfolio, identifying cost synergies and optimizing its structure and operations. He reports to Paul Ricci, chairman and CEO.

Mr. Beaudoin returns to Nuance after two years, where he served as chief financial officer for SimpliVity and helped orchestrate its successful sale to HP Enterprise. Prior to SimpliVity, he was executive vice president and CFO at Nuance for seven years, where he led accounting, financial planning and analysis, tax and treasury, information technology, and administrative functions. Before joining Nuance, Mr. Beaudoin was president, CFO, and chief operating officer of Polaroid Corporation and led the strategic and operational transformation of the company. Previously, he held senior finance positions at Parametric Technology, i2, Compaq, and Digital Equipment Corporation. He earned both his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Business Administration degrees from Babson College.

Additionally, Nuance commenced a multi-year organizational and productivity initiative that is focused on:

- Increasing investments in the company's growth businesses, including organizing a separate, reportable segment for its rapidly growing automotive business;

- Productivity and cost initiatives that build on prior, successful programs to drive efficiencies across Nuance's global operations, that will fund the company's increasing investments in conversational AI and enhanced go-to-market resources for its vertical markets, including automotive, healthcare, telecommunications and financial services; and,

- Delivering gradual, year-over-year margin improvements.

"Tom is an accomplished executive who brings excellent business, financial and operational skills to Nuance," said Paul Ricci, chairman and CEO, Nuance. "I'm pleased to welcome him back to the company, where his extensive knowledge of the organization and our operations will be instrumental in leading programs that will enhance our growth and drive efficiency for the business."

## About Nuance Communications, Inc.

Nuance Communications, Inc. is a leading provider of voice and language solutions for businesses and consumers around the world. Its technologies, applications and services make the user experience more compelling by transforming the way people interact with devices and systems. Every day, millions of users and thousands of businesses experience Nuance's proven applications. For more information, please visit <u>www.nuance.com</u>.

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