

# Jeremy Gies Appointed President of SurgePays Fintech

**Senior Sales, Business Development and Operations Executive to develop and expand nationwide c-store channel**



**BARTLETT, Tenn., November 1, 2022** – SurgePays, Inc. (Nasdaq: SURG) (“SurgePays” or the “Company”), a technology and telecommunications company focused on the underbanked and underserved, has appointed Jeremy Gies, a senior sales, business development and operations executive, as President of the Company’s subsidiary, SurgePays Fintech, Inc.

Gies, a highly accomplished industry veteran, has more than 25 years’ experience in supporting businesses in the telecom, fintech and prepaid channels. He will be responsible for developing and expanding our nationwide network of convenience stores channel with the primary focus on adding stores transacting on the SurgePays network while increasing sales per store.

“Jeremy is the right person at the right time to drive store count and revenue expansion in our FinTech channel. We believe there is a huge opportunity due to the profitable suite of services we have assembled for store owners to offer their customers. Both independent store owners and chains alike can earn additional revenue by providing these essential services to customers in their communities at a time when every dollar counts,” said Brian Cox, Chairman and CEO of SurgePays. “His hands-on experience in all our market segments and proactive growth mentality makes him uniquely suited to perform well alongside our existing management team. He will also be charged with developing and rolling out our ability to enroll customers in the FCC’s Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) through this brick-and-mortar distribution of thousands of stores.”

Most recently, Gies served as Senior Channel Business Manager and Senior Account Manager for Honeywell Voice Solutions for nearly four years. Previously, he was Vice President, Business Development, for global e-payments company Wave Crest Payment Services. For nearly five years, he served first as Executive Vice President and then CEO of telSPACE, a provider of billing and back-office solutions for the MVNO/NVNE marketplace. He started his career with AT&T Wireless where, over a 10-year period, he rose through the ranks in early sales positions to Western Area Sales Manager and ultimately National Sales Manager. Gies is also a partner and co-founder of Blue Horizon Group, a business consulting company providing outsourced sales, business development, marketing, distribution, operations and logistics services to the wireless industry.

“It’s invigorating to join the SurgePays team at a time of its rapid growth, and so much unique opportunity in this channel, that it’s almost a land grab,” said Gies. “SurgePays has done a fantastic job building out a first-class software platform with an unlimited growth potential, especially in this economy. I look forward to working collaboratively with the entire SurgePays team, with my goal to assist in rapidly increasing the number of stores on our network, sales per store and margins per sale.”

For more information on SurgePays, please visit the Company’s investor relations website at [ir.surgepays.com](http://ir.surgepays.com).

## **About SurgePays, Inc.**

SurgePays, Inc. is a technology and telecommunications company focused on the underbanked and underserved communities. SurgePhone Wireless provide mobile broadband to low-income consumers nationwide. SurgePays blockchain fintech platform utilizes a suite of financial and prepaid products to convert corner stores and bodegas into tech-hubs for underbanked neighborhoods. Please visit [SurgePays.com](http://SurgePays.com) for more information.

## **About SurgePays FinTech, Inc.**

SurgePays FinTech, Inc., a subsidiary of SurgePays, utilizes its proprietary software platform to provide a suite of profitable prepaid wireless and financial services products primarily to the underbanked population. There are currently 1,000s of stores nationwide currently transacting on the SurgePays network.

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