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### Assessment services provider and creator of the Surpass Assessment Platform, BTL Group Ltd., wins the prestigious Queen's Award for Enterprise for Excellence in International Trade.

BTL Group Ltd. parent company of the Exton, PA based BTL Surpass Inc, and global edtech provider which this year celebrates its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary, has been recognized in the United Kingdom with a prestigious Queen's Award for Enterprise. The award for International Trade relates to its outstanding success in the assessment industry.

BTL's SaaS assessment platform, Surpass, has supported international test delivery for well over a decade, and recent growth in North America has seen it expand its base of operations with a new office to support USA and Canada based clients. BTL now employs more than 150 people across both locations (UK and North America).

Surpass, the company's premier examination technology is used for the secure creation, delivery, scoring and reporting of paper and computer-based tests with more than 25 million examinations delivered to date. Surpass is used by governments, schools, colleges, universities, and high-profile professional certification bodies in fields such as healthcare and finance.

In most recent times, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Surpass has demonstrated that it is the perfect solution for supporting innovative organizations wishing to continue assessment operations during a turbulent time. Rather than suspend essential assessment activity, Surpass Community members can switch from center-based testing to remotely proctored models that allow the learner to be examined from home.

Keith Myers CEO of BTL Group Ltd. commented:

*"Receiving the Queen's Award for Enterprise for International Trade is a significant milestone in our journey and a great achievement for our team. We are delighted that for some time, Surpass has been recognized as the solution of choice on the international stage, a key strategic aim during my time as CEO at BTL. Globally, we are seeing some staggering changes in how assessment is conducted as a result of COVID-19, and I'm proud that all our hard work to date means that we are able to help the world adapt qualifications for secure online delivery."*

Andy McAnulla, President of BTL Surpass Inc. added:

*"We're delighted with the success we have already achieved in the USA and Canada. This award is a true reflection of our hard work in making Surpass an internationally recognized success story. Our mission is to improve the assessment experience for everyone, and with a Queen's Award for Enterprise alongside our other awards for product, people and services, I'm confident we are making a positive difference, even in these troubled times."*

### **About the Queen's Awards**

Now in its 54th year, the Queen's Awards for Enterprise are the most prestigious business awards in the country, with winning businesses able to use the esteemed Queen's Awards emblem for the next five years.

BTL Group Ltd. will celebrate its award during a royal reception for Queen's Awards winners in the summer.

Applications for Queen's Awards for Enterprise 2021 open on the 1st May 2020. For more information, visit <https://www.gov.uk/queens-awards-for-enterprise>.

### **About BTL Surpass Inc.**

BTL Surpass Inc., (Part of BTL Group Ltd.) is a global provider of assessment services and technology. The "Surpass" assessment platform is a turnkey solution powering the development and delivery of tests for credentialing and licensure organizations, K-12 institutions, HE, state government agencies and national testing programs across the world. Securely delivering over 25 million tests in test centers or through secure online proctoring, the Surpass item bank and test driver is one of the most trusted and advanced technologies available in the market.

Organizations join the unique and ever growing #SurpassCommunity to collaboratively share expertise and knowledge. With BTL Surpass as your test development, technology and proctoring partner, you'll have the confidence and control you need over your assessment program.

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