



## Extreme Networks Ranks #1 and #2 in Key Categories of 40 Gigabit Ethernet Switch Market Share According to the Dell'Oro Group

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SANTA CLARA, Calif., Nov. 30, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (Nasdaq: EXTR) today announced that in the first report covering 40 Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) market share that it was the market leader in modular 40GbE switches and second in overall 40GbE Ethernet according to the latest global market share report, for calendar Q3 2011, issued by the Dell'Oro Group.

As 10GbE servers are deployed to serve mobile devices and web applications, 40GbE ports are emerging as the switch inter-connect of choice for the private data center and the hosted cloud. The Dell'Oro Group report states that the 40GbE BlackDiamond® modular switches from Extreme Networks ranked #1 worldwide in product revenue and the combined BlackDiamond and Summit® switching products ranked #2 last quarter.

Earlier, Extreme Networks earned a Top 5 rating in data center and cloud switching (ToR/EoR) market share according to a separate Dell'Oro report on the [Cloud market opportunity](#) and data center networks, released in November.

The Dell'Oro Report market reports follow the recent [Lippis Test Report results](#) that showed the BlackDiamond X8 switch tested 3-10 faster than other network vendors. The Extreme Networks core fabric switch also had the lowest latency (of 2.3 microseconds for 64 bit frames) and lowest energy use (5.6 watts per port) of any core products in the test. The BlackDiamond X8 is expected to begin shipping in the first half of next calendar year.

A webinar, [Building Cloud Grade Data Center Networks](#), discussing the Lippis Report test results and the impact of the network on public and private clouds, can be viewed on-demand, beginning at 2:00pm EST/11:00am PST today.

Extreme Networks has more than 6,000 customers worldwide, including 19 of the top 20 mobile operators. Extreme Networks also has more than 700 data center customers worldwide, including Johns Hopkins University, Korea Telecom, Microsoft, Samsung, SingTel, VMware and Wynn Resorts.

"Our recent momentum in the high-end of the data center market puts us in great position to lead as cloud networks evolve," said Harpreet Chadha, vice president, product management for Extreme Networks. "The Dell'Oro report and test results confirm the value of and need for our 40 Gigabit Ethernet products."

### Extreme Networks, Inc.

Extreme Networks provides converged Ethernet network infrastructures that support data, voice and video for enterprises and service providers. The company's network solutions feature high performance, high availability and scalable switching solutions that enable organizations to address real-world communications challenges and opportunities. Operating in more than 50 countries, Extreme Networks provides wired and wireless secure LANs, data center infrastructure and Service Provider Ethernet transport solutions that are complemented by global, 24x7 service and support. For more information, visit: <http://www.extremenetworks.com>

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