

Extreme Networks Data Center Solutions Addressing Scalability and Complexity Showcased at VMworld

Recent End-User Research Confirms That Solving Issues of Scale and Complexity at the Network Level Is Required for Rapid Adoption of Virtualization

SAN FRANCISCO, CA, Aug 30, 2010 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: EXTR) today announced that it is showcasing key architectures that enable efficient and scalable virtualized data centers based on its Four Pillar data center strategy at this week's VMworld, held at the Moscone Center, San Francisco, exhibitor booth #1708.

A recent Enterprise Strategy Group Research Survey on server virtualization (August, 2010) indicates that many enterprise organizations are strongly aligned with the Extreme Networks(R) Four Pillar data center strategy. For example, the survey data identifies key challenges facing companies as they transition to a fully virtualized environment:

- -- IT organizations are looking for more extensive network-level
- integration to enable advanced, dynamic virtualization features.
- -- Performance and security are two of the top networking concerns for virtual server environments.
- -- Organizations with growing infrastructure requirements are most interested in 40 Gigabit Ethernet performance as servers and storage needs for 10 Gigabit Ethernet connections increase.

"The feedback from server virtualization research clearly reflects the key trends and challenges happening today," said Jon Oltsik, Principal Analyst for the Enterprise Strategy Group. "In order for virtualization to reach the next level, incorporating dynamic features and tier-1 applications, IT organizations must begin to deal with scale and complexity challenges in a holistic manner. Extreme Networks, with its Four Pillar strategy, can help address these issues with real-world solutions that enable IT organizations to further take advantages and efficiencies that virtualization can deliver."

Extreme Networks Four Pillar data center strategy, featuring its newly introduced "Direct Attach(TM)" virtualized data center architecture that reduces tiers in the network and its XNV(TM) Virtual Machine Lifecycle Management solution, is at the heart of Extreme Networks data center offering.

"Extreme Networks is at VMworld this week, with its ecosystem partners, demonstrating real-world solutions to these challenges, specifically reducing infrastructure tiers and complexity, and integrating server virtualization with the network to enable full lifecycle management of virtual machines at the network level," said Kevin Ryan, director of data center marketing for Extreme Networks.

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