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## Extreme Networks and EMC Scale Ethernet Architecture for the Cloud with VSPEX Labs Validation of Extreme's Open Fabric for VSPEX

SAN JOSE, Calif., July 17, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (Nasdag: EXTR) today announced that its Open Fabric data center and cloud network architecture has been validated as part of an EMC® VSPEX<sup>™</sup> solution.

With its EMC VSPEX Labs Validation, Extreme Networks Open Fabric network solution, including the Summit® X670 10 Gigabit Ethernet switch, is positioned to deliver industry-leading speed, low latency, and virtualization support for cloud networking as part of EMC VSPEX Proven Infrastructure.

EMC VSPEX is designed to streamline the deployment of cloud and virtualization technologies. Validated and modular, VSPEX enables customers to make informed decisions about their choice of hypervisor, compute, networking, and storage components, reducing complexity and risk for IT teams.

"Meeting the vital network and storage orchestration requirements are key to further adoption of the cloud," said Jake Howering, Director of Data Center Solutions for Extreme Networks. "We are backing EMC VSPEX solutions with robust and open standards networking, including SDN capable switches, allowing end customers to seamlessly deploy integrated storage networks with server virtualization stacks."

With expected Y/Y growth of up to 40-60% with Integrated Systems in the Data Center, Cloud, and Virtualization space, Extreme Networks is entering new markets to deliver high performing and highly resilient Ethernet solutions. The validation of Extreme Networks technology as part of a VSPEX solution enables channel partners, VAR's and distributors to increase their value-added services portfolio to include disaster recovery, business continuity, business productivity and IT Edge solutions over a defined integrated solution architecture, lowering their own cost to design and deploy solutions. End-users receive solution assurance with simplified deployment, predictable performance and solution flexibility to meet the needs of a fastpaced and demanding environment.

Today, Extreme Networks Open Fabric data center solution supports leading virtualization hypervisors, the OpenStack laaS cloud platform and other standards-based technologies, and lossless Ethernet storage with Data Center Bridging (DCB).

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Extreme Networks, Inc. is a technology leader in high-performance Ethernet switching for cloud, data center and mobile networks. Based in San Jose, CA, Extreme Networks has more than 6,000 customers in more than 50 countries. For more information, visit the company's website at http://www.extremenetworks.com.

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