



## **Extreme Networks and Security Leader McAfee, Inc. Form Strategic Alliance to Promote Secure and Reliable Networking**

### **Companies Partner to Extend the Benefits of Open, Secure and High Performance Connectivity Addressing the Paramount Challenges of Enterprise IT**

SANTA CLARA, CA, Jul 20, 2009 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: EXTR) today announced that it has formed a Strategic Alliance with security leader McAfee, Inc. (NYSE: MFE) addressing secure networking for enterprise organizations.

Working together, Extreme Networks(R) and McAfee can provide world-class, secure, unified networks to mutual customers delivered through the companies' comprehensive portfolios of high performance Ethernet networking and security (threat management) solutions. The security portfolio from McAfee addresses host security, network intrusion detection and prevention, firewall, and data leakage security requirements to protect the Enterprise LAN.

"McAfee's experience, insight and proven ability to deliver scalable and pervasive security and threat solutions to IT organizations ensures that our mutual customers will be able to address their enterprise business productivity and stability challenges as part of our relationship," said Paul Hooper, vice president and general manager for the Volume Products Group at Extreme Networks. "We are delighted to have McAfee join our extensibility ecosystem."

The Extreme Networks/McAfee strategic alliance will include joint marketing of secure network solutions, and interoperability testing to support secure network solutions. Joint customers will benefit from McAfee's cloud-based Global Threat Intelligence supported by McAfee's leading security research experts. Customers also benefit from being able to manage their security applications through McAfee ePolicy Orchestrator software, a centralized management console to help secure organizations from a vast and ever-growing threat landscape.

"McAfee is joining forces with Extreme Networks to extend reliable and secure networking to our mutual global customers, allowing them the best possible choices in securing their applications and communications with simplified, high performance solutions," said Dan Ryan, executive vice president, Network Security Business Unit, McAfee, Inc. "Customers can be more confident in their IT and business endeavors through intelligent integration of their network and security infrastructures."

McAfee is the world's largest dedicated security company, providing a comprehensive network security portfolio with solutions that address the entire spectrum of vulnerability, including threat detection, anti-virus and perimeter protection.

Extreme Networks delivers simplified, high performance Ethernet network infrastructure addressing data convergence with its ExtremeXOS(R)-based BlackDiamond(R), Summit(R) high performance Ethernet switches. Extreme Networks portfolio of solutions, including switches, enterprise network management and services outfit the edge of the LAN, to the core of the network, to data centers and cloud computing infrastructures with gigabit and 10 gigabit scalability, intelligent energy efficiency and highly reliable protocol for integrated data and communications.

Extreme Networks, Inc.

Extreme Networks provides converged Ethernet networks that support data, voice and video for enterprises and service providers. The company's network solutions feature high performance and high availability switching that deliver insight and control enabling customers to solve their real-world business communications challenges. 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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