



Extreme Networks Names Telecom Industry Veteran Vish Nandlall to Role of Chief Technology Officer

--Former Nortel Carrier Networks CTO Brings Depth of Experience and Visionary Accomplishments to Ethernet Leader

SANTA CLARA, Calif., July 24, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (Nasdaq: EXTR) today announced that it has appointed Vish Nandlall to the position of Chief Technology Officer.

Mr. Nandlall has a distinguished career in the networking arena, with more than 15 years of experience in creating technology vision, implementing strategy and technical development of scalable IP networks, wireless technologies and VoIP. Mr. Nandlall previously served as chief technology officer for Nortel's Carrier Networks division, overseeing the technology vision for the company's successful Wireless and in Carrier VoIP Applications businesses.

"Vish Nandlall has an impressive depth of expertise and will greatly assist Extreme Networks as we continue to develop cutting-edge and cost-effective Ethernet portfolios designed specifically for the needs of carriers and large enterprises," said Mark Canepa, president and CEO of Extreme Networks. "Vish brings a bold vision for connecting next-generation networks using Ethernet and the industry experience to drive our solution offerings."

In addition to his role as CTO for Carrier Networks at Nortel, Nandlall has served in various technical leadership roles, as the chief architect for Nortel's CDMA technologies and lead architect for Metro DWDM. He is also a key figure in networking standards bodies that drive next-generation networking and communications, including, the IETF, 3GPP, 3GPP2 and as a board member for ATIS.

Nandlall holds a BSC Engineering, First Division, Electrical Engineering, from the University of New Brunswick.

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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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