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Global Actuarial Leader Milliman Relies on Extreme Networks High Performance Converged Ethernet Solutions

SAN JOSE, Calif., May 12, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- [Extreme Networks, Inc.](#) (Nasdaq: EXTR) today announced its Open Fabric network solutions has been selected by [Milliman](#), a premier global consulting and actuarial firm that helps companies take on some of the world's most critical and complex issues, to address its growing data traffic bandwidth demands and improve scalability.

Based in the US, with offices located internationally, Milliman manages retirement funding, healthcare financing, risk management, regulatory compliance and data analytics. With Milliman's continuous growth, it required a network vendor that could grow and scale along with the company. Extreme Networks has helped build a resilient and fast network infrastructure to support its applications and better serve its customers.

Milliman has built key components of high availability network infrastructure using Extreme Networks over the last five years due to its well respected Summit® and BlackDiamond® Ethernet switching products, and just as importantly, for its comprehensive and hands on customer service. Extreme Networks' solutions and expertise have allowed Milliman to standardize its edge, core and data centers on Gigabit and 10GbE solutions that are optimized for performance, availability and ease of use powered by [ExtremeXOS®](#), an advanced modular operating system that promotes high network availability, automation and extensibility.

"As we've evolved our network and realized the capabilities of a converged infrastructure for storage, Internet and application data, Extreme Networks has been an impressive vendor. This relationship has helped us use technology to exceed the expectations of our clients," said Dwight Rebers, Principal and Systems Consultant for Milliman. "The network we have established with the help of Extreme is both reliable and fast and has reduced our operational costs, making a big difference in our organization."

Milliman's network uses a combination of Extreme Networks' switches that allow for unprecedented agility and collaboration across more than 20 locations. The company also uses Extreme Networks' [Summit® X670](#) and [X650 switches](#) to address network issues in both its data center and high performance computing environments and supports its dual 10GbE links. In order to support converged voice and data network with power over the Ethernet, Milliman deployed [BlackDiamond®](#) switches with upgraded blades.

With its network-switching infrastructure in place, Milliman looked to Extreme Networks to help streamline the entire network. The updates helped Milliman simplify and improve its enterprise and cloud data center networks enabling the company to service new market segments with increasingly challenging demands, thereby driving continued growth and opening up new revenue opportunities for the future.

"Extreme provided Milliman a resilient architecture that allows them to continue the company's impressive growth and provide expert solutions for its customers," said Derek Granath, senior director of products at Extreme Networks. "By streamlining the network, Milliman can focus on exceeding business goals and designing faster, safer and smarter business solutions."

About Milliman

Milliman is among world's largest providers of actuarial and related products and services. The firm has consulting practices in healthcare, property & casualty insurance, life insurance and financial services, and employee benefits. Founded in 1947, Milliman is an independent firm with offices in major cities around the globe. For further information, visit www.milliman.com

About Extreme Networks

Extreme Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: EXTR) is setting a new standard for superior customer experience by delivering network-powered innovation and market leading service and support. The company delivers high-performance switching and routing products for data center and core-to-edge networks, wired/wireless LAN access, and unified network management and control. Our award-winning solutions include software-defined networking (SDN), cloud and high-density Wi-Fi, BYOD and enterprise mobility, and identity access management and security. Extreme Networks is headquartered in San Jose, CA and has more than 12,000 customers in over 80 countries. For more information, visit the company's website at <http://www.extremenetworks.com>.

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