



## **Extreme Networks Continues to Command #2 Worldwide Position for Purpose-Built, Top-of-Rack Data Center Switches**

### **According to Dell'Oro Group's Q2 Market Share Report, Extreme Commands the #2 Global Leadership Position for 'Top-of-Rack' Data Center Switches for the Sixth Sequential Quarter**

SANTA CLARA, CA, Aug 25, 2010 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: EXTR) today announced that it has continued to grow its share in the global data center Ethernet market. Extreme Networks' growth during Q2, according to The Dell'Oro Group, was highlighted by impressive gains with its fixed 10 Gigabit Ethernet (GbE), purpose built, "Top-of-Rack" switching solutions, as reported in The Dell'Oro Group's most recent market share update.

Extreme Networks commanded the #2 revenue position for data center Top-of-Rack switches according to the quarterly Ethernet market share report, behind only Cisco, driven by its industry leading Summit(R) X650, Summit X450 and Summit X480 switches. In the "Top of Rack" switch port shipment category, Extreme Networks increased its port shipments by 194% compared to the same quarter one year ago. This demonstrates continued momentum for the Company in the dynamic and demanding data center Ethernet market.

10 GbE is becoming the connection of choice beyond the network core, at the edge and for aggregation, as it provides an answer to surging deployment of very high performance servers and bandwidth demanding applications.

"The most significant network upgrade ever witnessed in the data center space has just begun as customers start migrating servers from multiple 1,000 Mbps connections to two 10 Gigabit Ethernet connections," said Alan Weckel, Director of Ethernet Switch Market Research at Dell'Oro Group, based in Redwood Shores, Calif. "10 GbE Top-of-Rack switches will be one of the growth drivers going forward in this market transition."

Extreme Networks global customers, including The Limited, a leading national retailer, the Austrian Ministry of the Interior, Inmar, a retail logistics leader, and Profitability.net, a colocation and cloud services provider, continue their adoption of Extreme's Four Pillar data center strategy, enabling a seamless migration from physical networks, to virtual networks and to cloud-based data center networks.

"Extreme Networks momentum in the data center segment continues to accelerate as customers drive their purchase decisions towards our innovations, performance and vision," said Paul Hooper, chief marketing officer for Extreme Networks. "The Dell'Oro report confirms the success of our data center vision and 10 Gigabit Ethernet products."

Extreme Networks, Inc. Extreme Networks provides converged Ethernet network infrastructures that support data, voice and video for enterprises and service providers. The company's network solutions feature high performance, high availability and scalable switching solutions that enable organizations to address real-world communications challenges and opportunities. 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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