

## **Extreme Networks Is Driving Broadband Into Rural America**

## Company to Participate in Texas Telecom Association 2009 Convention and Product Showcase, and Others as Part of Rural Carrier Initiative

SANTA CLARA, CA, Aug 27, 2009 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: EXTR), today announced it is driving broadband networks intro rural America. In concert with the U.S. Government's Broadband Stimulus program, Extreme Networks is targeting carriers deploying next-generation broadband networks in rural areas with USDA RUS-Accepted solutions and proven reference architectures for residential triple play services at the lowest total cost of ownership.

Kicking off the initiative in Texas, Extreme Networks will participate in the Texas Telephone Association, Inc. (TTA) 2009 Convention and Product Showcase. At the showcase, Extreme Networks will highlight a 10 Gigabit Ethernet Transport reference architecture built with the company's Metro Ethernet Forum (MEF) Certified and RUS-Accepted Summit(R) and BlackDiamond(R) Ethernet transport switch families.

The TTA, of which Extreme Networks is now a member, is the trade association that supports the Texas incumbent local exchange telephone companies. There are 61 incumbent local exchange telephone companies providing service to more than 13 million access lines in 1,244 exchanges across Texas. The TTA Convention & Product Showcase is being held August 30 to September 2 in San Antonio, Texas (<a href="http://www.tta.org/pdf/2009\_TTA\_Registration.pdf">http://www.tta.org/pdf/2009\_TTA\_Registration.pdf</a>).

"We're committed to helping rural carriers that are expanding their broadband services," said Suresh Gopalakrishnan, vice president and general manager for the Scalable Products Group at Extreme Networks. "Because of our success deploying carrier networks for triple play services globally, we bring the right expertise and proven reference architectures to the table, lowering the total cost of ownership and helping to improve the bottom line."

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 <a href="http://www.extremenetworks.com">http://www.extremenetworks.com</a>.

Except for the historical information contained herein, the matters set forth in this press release, including without limitation statements as to features and benefits of ExtremeXOS and Universal Port, BlackDiamond and Summit products are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date. Because such statements deal with future events, they are subject to risks and uncertainties, including network design and actual results of use of the product in different environments. We undertake no obligation to update the forward-looking information in this release. Other important factors which could cause actual results to differ materially are contained in the Company's 10-Qs and 10-Ks which are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>

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