

## **Extreme Networks Appoints Executive to Spur Market Development**

SANTA CLARA, Calif., July 7, 2009 /PRNewswire via COMTEX News Network/ -- SANTA CLARA, Calif., July 7 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (Nasdaq: EXTR) today announced that its co-founder and Chairman of the Board of Directors, Gordon L. Stitt, has assumed a market development role with the Company. In this position, Mr. Stitt will work parttime with the Company to explore new market opportunities.

"The rapid growth in the data center networking segment, as well as the growth in networking being driven by video delivery, presents many opportunities for Extreme," commented Mark Canepa, president and CEO of Extreme Networks. "Gordon's experience in market development will help accelerate our progress."

Mr. Stitt co-founded Extreme Networks in 1996 and remains Chairman of the Board of Directors. He will undertake these responsibilities for a period expected to be of one year in duration.

About 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>

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