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Gridstore to Demonstrate Next-Generation Scale-Out NAS Solution for MSP and SMB Markets

Company Will Showcase How Gridstore NASg Solution Changes the Dynamics of NAS by Combining the Best of NAS with Enterprise-Class Storage Capabilities

Attention: Technology writers, editors, MSPs and SMBs
What: Demonstration of Next-Generation Scale-Out NAS solution
Who: Gridstore
When: October 4-6, 2010
Where: Booth #758, MSPWorld, Los Angeles Convention Center, Los Angeles, Calif.

Gridstore, the leader in enterprise-class Network Attached Storage grid (NASg) solutions, will demonstrate its next-generation scale-out NAS solution in booth #758 at the MSPWorld conference, being held in Los Angeles Oct. 4-6. Demonstrations will focus on the solution's innovative grid architecture and how it is changing the dynamics and economics of NAS for the MSP and SMB markets, enabling them to create storage pools that centralize sharing and management of massive amounts of NAS-stored files. By combining the simplicity, convenience and affordability of NAS with the scalability, performance and reliability of enterprise-class storage, the NASg solution eliminates the risk, cost and complexity of traditional siloed storage solutions. Gridstore puts scale-out NAS in reach of MSPs and small-medium sized businesses who until now suffered with the limitations of stand alone NAS.

The Taneja Group, in a recent report entitled "Gridstore NASg: Network Attached Storage Grid," pointed to Gridstore as an innovative provider of scale-out NAS solutions and a significant entrant in its market category. The report noted that the company provides a next-generation storage offering at half the cost of standalone NAS solutions while delivering unique benefits in

scalable capacity, performance and throughput, as well as in fault tolerance that goes beyond RAID 5/6.

The foundation of the Gridstore solution is the Gridstore NASg Storage Node, based on an Intel/Microsoft 1U rack mount platform. Demonstrations will show how these nodes form the basis of an expandable grid architecture that consolidates existing NAS islands into a single storage pool that can grow incrementally simply by adding more nodes. Storage capacity, performance, and throughput all increase as NASg storage nodes are added to the grid. Because every storage node adds 1 Gb/s of parallel network bandwidth, total network bandwidth is virtually unlimited. The grid architecture also enables unlimited processing capacity and, since there is no single point of failure, unlimited reliability. Because the architecture delivers scalability in multiple dimensions, even large MSPs and enterprises can now take advantage of NAS.

"By leveraging all the benefits of NAS at an enterprise scale, our scale-out NAS solution allows SMB and MSPs to continue to employ their existing assets while simplifying storage management and increasing profitability," said Kelly Murphy, CEO of Gridstore. "Moreover, we've drastically changed the economics of storage. Spreading the workload across multiple nodes and using existing storage resources results in significantly lower IT management overhead and reduced OPEX."

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About Gridstore

Gridstore is the innovation leader in enterprise-class Network Attached Storage grid (NASg) products. NASg provides unlimited storage capacity and reliability at a fraction of the cost of traditional storage solutions. NASg is designed for small-to-mid-sized businesses and Managed Service Providers who struggle with the risk, cost and complexity of storage sprawl and who need enterprise class storage without the cost and complexity. Founded in 2007, Gridstore is headquartered in Mountain View, Calif. and has development facilities in Dublin, Ireland. For more information, please visit: <http://www.gridstore.com/>

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