



## Overland Storage Launches Biggest, Fastest NEO E Series Enterprise-Ready Backup & Archive Solution

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### NEO 8000e Combines Enterprise Class Data Availability, Increased Performance, and Simplified Connectivity for Long Term Investment Protection

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Overland Storage (NASDAQ: OVRL), the trusted global provider of effortless data management and data protection solutions across the data lifecycle, today announced a new addition to its popular NEO E Series product line: the NEO 8000e, a tape library solution specifically designed for large, data intensive businesses. Built on Overland's patented, award winning NEO architecture, the NEO 8000e supports LTO-5 technology and enables companies to dynamically adjust storage capacity and performance as needs change without requiring additional hardware. While providing the affordability typically associated with midrange solutions, NEO 8000e delivers enterprise class features including expansion for up to 3 Petabytes of storage capacity, high performance transfer rates up to 24TB/hr, and high availability features necessary for backup and archiving of mission critical data.

"We use the Overland NEO 8000 and NEO 4100 to back up approximately 100 Terabytes of data. The reliability, flexibility and scalability of the NEO solutions are why we selected additional tape storage from Overland when we had to add backup capability to our data center," said Charles Jarzynka, senior systems administrator at the Salk Institute. "With the partitioning feature we can operate our NEO libraries in mixed environments, which is extremely useful as we are backing up over 200 desktop clients and over 150 servers. The NEO 8000e will allow us to take advantage of increased performance and the flexibility to connect to systems with Fibre Channel or SAS without requiring additional hardware, providing a significant cost savings for us now and in the future."

Overland NEO E Series tape libraries offer a comprehensive set of backup and archive features perfect for businesses that have large quantities of data to store and archive. With multi-interface connectivity and support for all major operating systems, the NEO E Series protects technology investments and provides unparalleled flexibility for future expansion. In addition, its partitioning capability enables IT managers to simplify storage management and centralize distributed backup environments.

"Wikibon IT practitioners indicate that tape continues to be a critical technology especially for larger enterprises," said David Vellante, co-founder and CEO, Wikibon.org. "Superior economics and removability make tape the best fit for most long-term retention, compliance and fixed content applications. Overland has deep tape expertise with a great reputation for delivering solid solutions and the NEO 8000e looks positioned to be another winner."

The NEO 8000e is able to intelligently anticipate and prevent potential problems with built-in self-monitoring capabilities including drive performance monitoring, predictive failure notification and system fault isolation. The library also includes all of the high availability features of the award-winning NEO architecture, such as full redundancy, browser-based monitoring and control, field-proven robotics, and seamless drive swap capability.

#### Features and Benefits:

- **Investment Protection** -- NEO 8000e enables businesses to simultaneously use a single library with a variety of backup software applications as well as configure it to interface with different backup servers regardless of their connectivity type. In addition, the NEO partitioning capability enables users to configure a single physical library into multiple virtual libraries allowing businesses to interchange drives between NEO libraries and protect their hardware investment.
- **Environmental Efficiency** -- The power-efficient NEO 8000e delivers a "green" data center storage solution that minimizes power usage and reduces energy costs. With the ability to store up to 1.5PB of data in less than 7 square feet, the NEO 8000e also provides an extremely dense footprint that minimizes the use of costly data center floor space.
- **Scalability** -- The NEO 8000e can grow to provide up to 3PB of storage with up to 1000 cartridges and 24 tape drives for large, data intensive businesses. The NEO E Series supports LTO-5 technology for double the storage capacity. It is also compatible with LTO-4.
- **Remote Management** -- Ensures a seamless backup and archive process by providing intelligent, proactive administration, management, and monitoring of backup and archive operations.

"In today's market, tape libraries continue to be the favorite solution for long term storage of mission critical data. The NEO 8000e enables enterprises to take advantage of high availability features, increased performance, scalability and simplified connectivity combined with mid-range pricing to fit within lean IT budgets," said Peri Grover, director of product marketing for tape products, Overland Storage. "The NEO 8000e is a smart solution that can easily accommodate data storage requirements now and in the future."

**Pricing and Availability** The NEO 8000e is available immediately for \$47,999 MSRP. For a limited time, companies can purchase a NEO 8000e and Overland Storage will upgrade their system to include the capability to store up to 1.2 Petabytes at no additional cost. For more information about the NEO 8000e, please visit [www.overlandstorage.com/products/neo8000e](http://www.overlandstorage.com/products/neo8000e). To take advantage of the limited time promotion, go to [http://landing.overlandstorage.com/FREE\\_PR](http://landing.overlandstorage.com/FREE_PR).

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