

Overland Teams With Computer Associates for SAN-Based Serverless Backup At CA-World 2000

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SAN DIEGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 30, 2000--Overland Data Inc. (Nasdaq:OVRL), a technology leader in tape backup products, will showcase the advanced Storage Area Network (SAN) capabilities of its LoaderXpress(TM) storage automation solutions as a part of a serverless backup demonstration by Computer Associates International Inc. at the CA-World 2000 Conference, April 9-14 in New Orleans.

While Overland's LoaderXpress DLT autoloader will be demonstrated at Booth 950 at the CA-World Conference, all of Overland's award-winning DLTtape (see note) libraries and loaders -- including the LoaderXpress -- are certified and support CA's SAN operation under ARCservelT (see note) as its Storage Area Network Integrated Technology Initiative (SANITI (see note)).

Overland will supply the tape hardware component of the CA serverless backup solution, a LoaderXpress LXL810 unit boasting 400 GB native capacity running with CA's ARCservelT storage solution. Serverless backup allows direct data movement across the SAN from disk to tape storage without requiring any intervention from a host server, freeing the server from the overhead of backup operations and in the process enhancing the performance of other network processing and applications.

As another integral part of Overland's SAN initiative, the company recently announced its SANPiper(TM) SAN technology, a SCSI-to-Fibre Channel bridge. SANPiper gives customers easy access to Fibre-based SANs and new SAN-based applications, including LAN-free and server-free backup.

SANPiper operates seamlessly with all Overland automated libraries and loaders and provides up to four SCSI connections and up to six independent Fibre Channel ports with support for single-ended and differential SCSI and copper, short- and long-wave Fibre Channel interfaces.

As a key component of SANITI, ARCserveIT goes beyond support for serverless backup operations, allowing all devices under its control to be managed as part of CA's Unicenter TNG Framework.

The SAN-enabled Unicenter TNG Framework can identify and manage conventional and SAN-related storage resources such as Fibre Channel hubs, switches, bridges, volumes and tape libraries, making Unicenter TNG the only fully integrated management solution covering a broad range of network performance, status, software distribution, storage resources and other functions for the heterogeneous enterprise.

"CA is leading the drive for enterprise SAN solutions that fulfill the promise of the technology to dramatically lower the TCO for network storage," said Steve Richardson, Vice President of Marketing at Overland. "Integrating ARCservelT into a total enterprise management structure makes the CA SANITI program a model for the industry. We are excited to be a part of this bold initiative that is changing the face of network storage."

Michael LaTorraca, Vice President Development Partner Programs for CA, said: "We're excited to have Overland as one of our key technology partners for our Serverless solution. The LoaderXpress with ARCservelT are critical elements for a powerful serverless backup solution, delivering both extended native capacity and high performance on SANs."

Offering more than 3,000 informative sessions and technical labs, CA-World 2000 covers every aspect of IT, making it the most expansive conference of its kind. Not only is it the ultimate education source for the latest in technology, it's where you can explore Software That Can Think! Composed of 19 Solution Areas including storage management, CA-World 2000 encompasses a wide range of topics including predictive management, visualization, Internet technologies, security, and much more.

The program also includes free pre-conference education courses and hands-on workshops covering the industry's latest trends and CA's most popular products.

About Computer Associates

Computer Associates International Inc. (NYSE:CA), the world's leading business software company, delivers the end-to-end infrastructure to enable eBusiness through innovative technology services and education. CA has 18,000 employees worldwide and had revenue of \$6.3 billion for the year ended Dec. 31, 1999. For more information, visit www.cai.com.

About Overland

Overland Data is a global supplier of innovative data storage and storage automation solutions for computer networks. The Company's award-winning DLT LibraryXpress(TM) SmartScale Storage(R) architecture has set new standards for intelligent automated storage and scalability and established Overland as a leader in the mid-range tape storage market.

Today, Overland is broadening its product line and technology offerings to address additional segments of the storage market, including the entry-level small-business market, as well as the higher-end enterprise environment.

Overland's patented Variable Rate Randomizer (VR2(TM)) data encoding technology, capable of substantially increasing the capacity and throughput of linear tape formats, is being applied by the Company to Travan tape drives, and has been licensed to Seagate Technology, Tandberg Data and Imation Corp. for inclusion in next-generation tape drives.

Overland products, acclaimed for their quality and reliability, are sold worldwide through leading OEMs, including Compaq, IBM, Fujitsu Siemens Computers and Groupe Bull, commercial distributors such as Ingram Micro, Tech Data Corp. and Bell Microproducts, as well as storage integrators

and value-added resellers.

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