Overland Partners with CA, Pathlight and QLogic in Delivering Open Systems Server-Free Backup Solution

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NEW ORLEANS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--April 10, 2000--Overland Data (Nasdaq: OVRL) will team with SAN industry partners Computer Associates International, Inc. (NYSE: CA), Pathlight Technology (www.pathlight.com) and QLogic (NASDAQ: QLGC) at CA-World 2000 in demonstrating an open systems-based, server-free backup solution using Overland SANPiper(TM), its OEM version of the Pathlight SAN Gateway(TM). The demo is a powerful, real-world example of the performance of CA's ARCserve(R)IT(TM) server-free backup for Windows NT/2000, which is making its world premiere at CA-World 2000, using Overland's industry-leading automated DLT libraries as the backup target.

"We are excited to see leading vendors such as Overland, Pathlight and Qlogic demonstrating support for CA's server-less backup solution and SNIA's open standards," says Michael LaTorraca, vice president, development partner programs at CA. "CA believes that our customers will benefit greatly from the synergy we have created around serverless backup leveraging ARCserveIT and each vendor's respective technology."

In this demonstration, an open systems environment of Windows NT servers running CA's ARCServeIT, the leading backup/recovery solution, will initiate backup between a RAID subsystem and Overland's DLT library. Overland's SANPiper will then move all of the data without impacting the servers. QLogic Fibre Channel host bus adapter cards are being used to connect the servers seamlessly to the SAN solution.

Steve Richardson, Vice President of Marketing for Overland said, "As we announced recently, Overland is leveraging Pathlight's data mover capability for enabling server-free backup by moving data directly between storage devices, freeing up valuable system resources on the server and substantially increasing the speed of backup and restore operations. LAN-free and server-free applications are of particular importance to Overland's customers. We are showing that we can deliver these immediately for customers seeking to create heterogeneous solutions that solve enterprise-level storage issues."

The Pathlight SAN Gateway, available as Overland's SANPiper, is the highest-performing intelligent SAN appliance available. Sophisticated hardware such as Direct Data Flow Memory(TM), software features including Tape Acceleration(TM) technology and an array of other Pathlight SAN technologies make SAN Gateway completely transparent within the data path and enable each connected device to operate at its highest sustainable data rate. Pathlight's SAN Data Mover technology directly manages data transfer between disk and tape systems. These features make SAN Gateway the industry's best platform for value added applications such as server-free backup.

"Manufacturers like Overland are quickly taking advantage of the sophisticated technology in Pathlight's SAN products to deliver robust and meaningful new solutions to their customers," said Said Rahmani, senior vice president, Pathlight. "Serverless backup configurations are very important because they radically alter resource usage in the enterprise, freeing servers from the costly overhead of backup operations."

Pathlight SAN Gateway provides OEMs such as Overland with the complete spectrum of required SAN capability, including the sharing of operational and functional resources. This high-speed, high-reliability device offers connectivity, simultaneous support for heterogeneous systems and storage (including Fibre Channel and SCSI), management of the entire SAN environment, scalability and support for third-party value add functions. Pathlight's products also deliver exclusive technologies including Virtual Private SAN(TM) (VPS(TM)) resource sharing -- a superset host-independent and OS-independent LUN Masking product. Pathlight SAN Director(TM) is an end-to-end complete SAN management solution.

The QLogic QLA2100 Series and QLA2200 Series Fibre Channel adapters are the leading solutions used by server and storage manufacturers to deliver SAN connectivity in open system environments. The products provide servers with an unobstructed Fibre Channel data path that delivers the highest throughput available. This capability is critical to successful deployment of high performance SAN applications such as server-free backup.

"Server-free backup is precisely the type of advanced SAN application that delivers tangible benefits to the IT infrastucture and lowers their TCO," said Samir Desai, senior product manager at QLogic. "The broad acceptance of our HBA solutions has given QLogic a key role in enhancing the most sophisticated SAN applications being offered today."

About Overland:

Overland Data, Inc. (Nasdaq: OVRL) 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. 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.

About QLogic:

A member of the Nasdaq 100 Index, QLogic Corporation is the unit market share leader in Fibre Channel host bus adapters and a leading designer and supplier of semiconductor and board-level I/O and enclosure management products targeted at the computer system, storage device and storage subsystem marketplaces. QLogic high-performance controllers are implemented in products from technology leaders such as AMI, Compaq, Dell,

Fujitsu, Hitachi, IBM, Iwill, Quantum, Raidtec, Siemens, Sun and Unisys. The company's high-performance Fibre Channel and SCSI solutions play a key role in enabling enterprise-level storage area networks (SANs) and the company's enclosure management products monitor and communicate component information that is critical to computer system and storage subsystem reliability and availability. For more information about QLogic and its products, contact QLogic Corp., 26600 Laguna Hills Drive, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656; telephone: 800/662-4471 (sales); 949/389-6000 (corporate); fax: 949/389-6126; home page .

About Pathlight Technology:

Pathlight Technology, Inc. has been pioneering the technologies that enable the sharing of critical storage resources since 1994. Today Pathlight is the leading provider of complete Storage Area Network (SAN) solutions to OEMs and systems integrators for use in storage enterprises of all sizes. Market leaders rely on Pathlight SAN products to deliver broad-based fundamental SAN functionality to their customers. Pathlight's flagship SAN Gateway(TM) is a high-performance device specifically designed to enable the sharing and management of heterogeneous functional and operational resources between all assets in a storage network. Pathlight's SAN Router(TM) puts the power of SAN resource sharing and storage options into an affordable package that meets the demand for entry-level SAN solutions while extending the options available to mid-range and high-end enterprises. For more information about Pathlight call 607-266-4000 or visit the Pathlight web site at http://www.pathlight.com/.

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