

Overland Data Expands Into Asia to Support Strong Growth and Worldwide Demand

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Mid-Range Tape Library Leader Strengthens International Presence

by Opening Singapore Rep Office

Overland Data Inc. (NASDAQ:OVRL), the market leader in mid-range tape automation solutions, today announced the opening of its Singapore location, which will serve as Overland's Asia Pacific center of operations.

The decision to open the Singapore Rep office comes on the heels of better than expected earnings for Q1 2002, in which Overland beat original estimates by more than \$.03/share.

International markets currently account for 40% of Overland's revenue; the mid-range tape market, of which Overland occupies more than 40%, is growing at an annual rate of 30% per year in the Asia-Pacific region.

Overland has appointed Philippe Cazaubon, currently the Asia Pacific sales manager, to head up the Asia office. For the past two years, Cazaubon has managed the Asia Pacific region from Overland's headquarters in San Diego. Cazaubon has over 10 years of international business experience in the wireless and computer industries.

"This is a real testament to the continuing, worldwide demand for Overland's scalable products," said Cazaubon. "While other vendors are busy closing offices and laying off workers, Overland continues to win new customers and increase its International market share. I'm very excited to be a part of Overland's burgeoning growth in the Pacific Rim."

About Overland

Overland Data is a global supplier of innovative data storage and storage automation solutions for computer networks. The company's reputation for delivering high availability products, as well as its award-winning SmartScale Storage(R) architecture which set the standard for intelligent automated storage and scalability, has established Overland as a leader in the mid-range tape automation market. Overland sells its products worldwide through leading OEMs, commercial distributors, storage integrators and value-added resellers.

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