Overland Storage Lands SkyWest Airlines for Disk-based Backup

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Overland Continues to Lead Industry With Nearly 3,000 Disk-based Backup and
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SAN DIEGO, April 24 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Reinforcing its position as the leader in disk-based backup and recovery solutions, Overland Storage, Inc. (Nasdaq: OVRL) today announced that SkyWest Airlines joins the growing list of companies who use its REO SERIES(TM) disk-based appliances for backup and recovery of critical data. Overland also announced that it has shipped nearly 3,000 of its award-winning REO appliances, enabling thousands of companies to improve backup speed and reliability, achieve near-instant data recovery, and significantly reduce backup administration costs.

SkyWest experienced increasing amounts of data on its legacy systems last year and sought a new backup and recovery solution. Full backups using its legacy AIT tape loader exceeded 90 hours. As a result, SkyWest evaluated new options for data backup and recovery. Additionally, SkyWest's criteria included the need for a solution that would handle its systems dispersed among 250 cities in North America, Mexico and the Caribbean.

"I asked my team to do preliminary research and come back with three or four backup solutions to evaluate," said Joshua Ursenbach, engineering manager, SkyWest. "They only found one -- the Overland REO 9000(TM), which included everything we wanted right from the start. In fact, Overland's REO was a hands-down winner because it's the most flexible disk-based backup appliance available."

Using REO 9000, SkyWest is able to complete full backups to tape within its weekend backup window -- an 80 percent improvement. In addition, SkyWest now completes nightly backups to disk in less than six hours -- nearly half the time of the previous system. Ursenbach and his team also incorporated the NEO 2000 for a complete disk-to-disk-to-tape solution.

"With our scalable, reliable and flexible NEO/REO platform we have set the standard for backup and recovery excellence," concludes Ursenbach. "We have complete confidence that our most vital data is safe and sound."

Over the past two years, Overland has successfully introduced several disk-based backup and recovery appliances under the REO family, including the REO 9000, which can be expanded up to 38 TB; the REO 4000(TM), with 2 TB raw capacity; and the REO 1000(TM), with 1 TB raw capacity. Every REO appliance comes with Protection OS software, which delivers embedded data protection intelligence including virtualization, management and connectivity features. In addition, the built-in virtual tape library (VTL) functionality allows the REO to be configured as any combination of virtual tape libraries, virtual tape drives and/or disk volumes, providing maximum flexibility while preserving the initial hardware investment.

About Overland Storage

Now in its 25th year, Overland Storage is a market leader and innovative provider of simply protected storage solutions -- smart data protection appliances and software modules designed to work together, affordably, to ensure that information is automatically safe, readily available and always there. Overland's award-winning data protection solutions include the ULTAMUS SERIES(TM) of protected primary storage appliances; the REO SERIES(TM) of disk-based backup and recovery appliances; and the NEO SERIES(R) of tape libraries. Overland sells its products through leading OEMs, commercial distributors, storage integrators and value-added resellers. For more information, visit Overland's web site at www.overlandstorage.com.

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