



Overland Storage Receives Coveted Five-Star Award From CMP's VARBusiness Magazine for Channel Program Excellence

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Overland Hailed by Leading Technology Publication for Its Comprehensive Storage Channel Partner Program

SAN DIEGO, March 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Overland Storage, Inc. (Nasdaq: OVRL) today announced that CMP Media's VARBusiness magazine has recognized the company as one of North America's top information-technology (IT) vendors. The honor recognizes the company for having one of the best partnership programs offered to solution providers that sell products and services to end-users. Overland Storage received recognition as a Five-Star Partner, acknowledging the company's commitment and the strength of its programs for IT integrators, resellers and consultants.

Of the more than 250 vendor-program entries reviewed for consideration, only 65 elite companies received the coveted five-star rating in the magazine's 13th annual Partner Programs Guide survey. The guide appears in the March 19, 2007, issue of VARBusiness. "We applaud vendors like Overland Storage for demonstrating best practices and for the leadership roles they have achieved within the IT distribution channel," says Lawrence M. Walsh, editor of VARBusiness.

According to Christie Huff, vice president of worldwide marketing for Overland Storage, the channel-centric organization is focused on assisting its channel partners so they can achieve the highest levels of success. "We greatly appreciate the commitment and results of our channel partners selling Overland's lineup of disk- and tape-based data protection solutions," she says. "This industry recognition is particularly gratifying because it reinforces Overland's dedication to our indirect sales model, which drives continuing business growth while accelerating market momentum."

About VARBusiness Magazine

For the past 20 years, VARBusiness' strategic resources have been the gateway to the Solution Provider community. VARBusiness provides strategic insight for technology integrators through industry-defining research, in-depth editorial, channel events and innovative Web services, enabling these IT professionals to make educated decisions for their businesses, partnerships and customers. VARBusiness has been the recipient of numerous industry awards for both editorial content and design. Additional information about VARBusiness products, events and services, is available at its Web site, www.varbusiness.com.

About Overland Storage

Now in its 26th 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(R) of disk-based backup, recovery and VTL appliances; and the NEO SERIES(R) and ARCvault(TM) tape automation solutions. 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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