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INFORTREND STRENGTHENS IP SANS WITH TWO 12-BAY ISCSI-HOST RAID ARRAYS

Build Low-Cost, Easy-to-Manage IP SANs with Infotrend's High-Performance, Easy-to-Use iSCSI Host Arrays

Basingstoke, UK, 2nd September 2008 – Networked storage expert Infotrend® (Public TPE: 2495) today announced two new iSCSI-to-SAS/SATA subsystems: the EonStor® (ES) S12E-R1132 redundant-controller and ES S12E-G1133 single-controller arrays. These high-performance, cost-effective iSCSI-host systems join Infotrend's growing line of iSCSI-host products that answer IT managers demand for storage in the hot, high-growth IP SAN market. The entire EonStor iSCSI family delivers all of the IP SAN benefits such as data integrity, easy data access, transparent operation, low deployment cost, simplified management, and future scalability.

The S12E-R1132 RAID subsystem features eight one Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) ports, combining multiple host channels into a portal group and allowing the array to achieve 720MB per second (MBps) reads and 300MBps writes in an end-to-end RAID configuration. It provides best-in-class performance, affordability and straightforward management of IP SANs. Differently, the S12E-G1133 array has two 1GbE ports and serves as an entry-level IP SAN; this system will resonate strongly with the SMB market and organisations looking for a cost effective networked storage solution offering a compelling set of features including high flexibility and easy scalability.

“IP SANs are the fastest growing segment in the storage industry according to a 2007 IDC report which anticipates sales to grow from \$558 million in 2006 to an estimated \$6 billion in 2011,” said Thomas Kao, director of global product planning and marketing at Infotrend Technology Inc. “The new S12E systems expand our established iSCSI-host range of RAIDS solutions and will help our customers build IP SANs that reflect their needs and fit with their existing infrastructures.”

Target Markets and Uses

Together, the S12E-R1132 and S12E-G1133 systems meet the RAID storage demands of large enterprises and smaller businesses alike. The iSCSI protocol makes them ideal for organisations that want to build distributed IT environments that require data storage consolidation, or for block-based applications such as email, data centres, security/surveillance, and backup.

EonStor S12E Highlights

- 2U, 12-bay, single- or redundant-controller, iSCSI-to-SAS/SATA RAID array
- High-performance, economic choice for IP SANs
 - S12E-R1132 (redundant-controller): eight 1GbE host ports for demanding enterprise applications

- S12E-G1133 (single-controller): two easy-to-deploy and manage 1GbE host ports for SMBs
- One or two multi-lane SAS expansion ports connect to ES S12S-J1002-R and ES S12S-J1000-G JBODs for a total capacity of up to 48TB and 60TB when using 1TB SATA hard drives
- Supports both SAS and SATA drives within the same system to build a tiered data storage solution
- Supports hardware RAID5 and RAID6 to ensure data integrity in the event of a drive failure
- Comes with the SANWatch® software suite so users can manage the SAN locally or remotely and provides data protection features such as snapshot and multi-pathing (EonPath)

Availability

The EonStor S12E-R1132 is now available through Infortrend’s worldwide network of ODMs, distributors, and storage integrators. The S12E-G1133 will be available at the end of October.

About Infortrend

Infortrend, the networked storage expert, is a pioneer in cost-effective, high performance storage products. The company provides EonStor® storage subsystems and SANWatch® software for virtually all storage interfaces including Fibre Channel, SAS, iSCSI, SCSI and SATA. For over a decade, Infortrend has provided reliable, fault-tolerant technology to prominent ODMs, distributors, and storage integrators worldwide. The company’s core competency includes performance optimised RAID ASICs, feature-rich firmware, and redundant, high availability RAID subsystems. Founded in 1993, Infortrend is traded on the Taiwan Stock Exchange (Taix), ticker number 2495. For more information, visit www.infortrend.com.

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