



ISILON AND STORWIZE PARTNER TO DELIVER REAL-TIME CAPACITY OPTIMIZATION FOR PRIMARY FILE-BASED DATA STORAGE

Integrated Solution Delivers Industry-Leading Usable Capacity per Raw Terabyte to Reduce Storage Acquisition, Management, and Environmental Costs

SEATTLE— June 23, 2009 — Isilon® Systems (NASDAQ: ISLN), the proven leader in scale-out NAS, and Storwize, the leading provider of real-time capacity optimization solutions, today announced they have partnered to deliver an integrated primary storage solution based upon Isilon's scale-out NAS products and the Storwize STN-6000 appliance. The new solution delivers industry-leading scalability, performance, and usable capacity, enabling customers to reduce storage acquisition and management costs, while significantly improving data center efficiency.

“File-based data continues to grow rapidly in both capacity and importance throughout the enterprise, regardless of budgeting pressure, requiring efficient, primary storage solutions that accelerate productivity and reduce costs,” said Ram Appalaraju, vice president of marketing, Isilon Systems. “By integrating Isilon IQ with Storwize’s real-time data compression, enterprises can maximize system efficiency to speed data access for mission-critical applications.”

The combination of Isilon IQ, featuring industry-leading utilization rates of more than 80 percent, and the Storwize STN-6000 capacity optimization solution, which increases usable storage capacity up to 10x without impacting performance, provides customers with industry-leading usable capacity per raw terabyte (TB) to simplify management, lower cost/TB, and reduce power, cooling and floor space requirements. Because data reduction is performed in real-time at the point of origin, less data is physically written to primary disk, providing significantly greater efficiency than traditional NAS. Additionally, by reducing file sizes when data is written to disk, data reduction savings cascade throughout the entire data lifecycle as only the compressed files are migrated, replicated, archived, deduplicated, and backed up.

“Storage budgets and capacity requirements are at odds as budgets continue to decrease, while file-based data growth only accelerates, creating a significant challenge in the enterprise data center,” said Peter Smails, senior vice president of marketing, Storwize. “The only solution is to do more with less, and by combining Isilon’s leading scale-out NAS with our real-time data compression, enterprise businesses can do just that – optimize the capacity of primary storage to reduce costs and increase return on investment.”

About Storwize

Storwize’s unique real-time capacity optimization solutions are deployed globally helping organizations dramatically reduce their cost of storage and optimize their storage infrastructure throughout the data lifecycle. To learn more visit www.storwize.com.

About Isilon Systems

Isilon Systems (NASDAQ: ISLN) is the proven leader in scale-out NAS. Isilon’s clustered storage and data management solutions drive unique business value for customers by maximizing the performance of their mission-critical applications, workflows and processes. Isilon enables enterprises and research organizations worldwide to manage large and rapidly growing amounts of file-based data in a highly scalable, easy-to-manage, and cost-effective way. Information about Isilon can be found at <http://www.isilon.com>.

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