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Storage Bridge Bay (SBB) Members Exhibit SBB-based Products at Storage Networking World April 7-10, 2008

Number of SBB exhibitors doubled as compared to previous SNW, signals growing SBB ecosystem and strong market adoption

Storage Networking World (SNW), Orlando, Fla., April 8, 2008 – The Storage Bridge Bay (SBB) Working Group today announced that 11 of its member companies are exhibiting SBB-based products at Storage Networking World (SNW) in SBB booth #1410. The SBB specification defines mechanical, electrical and low-level enclosure management interfaces for a controller slot or “bridge bay” within a storage enclosure. With the ability to accommodate a variety of controller personality modules across a broader selection of storage solution providers, storage vendors and suppliers benefit from faster time-to-market, lower development costs, and more flexible storage solutions. Storage end-users benefit from increased value and richer functionality as well as earlier access to new storage technology.

The SBB booth at SNW will feature a static product display, exhibiting SBB-based products and prototypes from its member companies listed below:

AIC:	2U enclosure with FC, IB, iSCSI and SAS personality modules
Dell:	3U enclosure with SAS and iSCSI personality modules
Dot Hill:	FC, iSCSI and SAS personality module
Ciprico:	4U “ruggedized” enclosure with FC and iSCSI personality modules
Emulex:	Fibre Channel personality module
IBM:	2U enclosure with FC, iSCSI and SAS personality modules
Intel:	Quad-Core Xeon® server module reference design
LSI:	2U enclosure with FC, iSCSI and SAS personality modules
Newisys:	iSCSI personality module
NetApp:	SAS personality module
Xyratex:	4U and 2U SFF chassis with SAS personality module

“The rich ecosystem on display at SNW this year in Orlando is a clear indication that SBB-based products are being rapidly adopted in the marketplace,” said Mark Hall, chairman of the SBB Marketing Subgroup. “The SBB Working Group expects to see an increasing number of SBB-based enclosures and personality modules introduced by member companies throughout 2008 and into the future.”

Since the original SBB 1.0 ratification in September 2006, the total membership has grown 39 percent from 31 to 43 members. Promoter Members and the Board of Directors of the SBB Working Group include: Dell, EMC, IBM, Intel, LSI, NetApp, Sun Microsystems and Xyratex.

In addition, the SBB Working Group is supported by the following Contributor Members: Accusys, Adaptec, AIC, AMD, AMCC, Aristos Logic, Astute Networks, ATTO Technology, Inc., Celestica, Chenbro Micom, Ciprico, Digi-Data, Dot Hill Systems, Emulex, Honhai Precision Industry Co. (Foxconn Technology Group), Infortrend Technology, Inspur (Beijing) Electronic Information Industry Co., Inventec Enterprise System Corporation, iStor Networks, Lanner Electronics, Mellanox Technologies, MiTAC International, NEC, Neterion, Newisys Data Storage, Nextronics Engineering Corp. (Leapac Division), PMC-Sierra, Promise Technology, Qsan Technology, Quanta Computer, RASILIENT Systems, Seagate, Tyco Electronics, Universal Scientific Industrial Co., and Wistron.

About SBB

The SBB Working Group is a cooperative, non-profit organization comprised of a range of IT leaders representing the storage industry. The SBB working group is focused on expanding membership and invites other companies to participate. To learn more about the SBB working group, visit www.sbbwg.org.

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