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Cutting Edge Releases Latest Version Of Its EdgeWare NAS O.S.

*Version 2.2 Network Attached Storage Operating System Now Provides
iSCSI, Improved System Monitoring, and Mirroring Support.*

La Mesa, CA. – April 5, 2005 – Cutting Edge’s EdgeWare network attached storage operating system now provides an enhanced list of functionality including synchronous mirroring, iSCSI target and initiator support, SNMP alerts, as well as an improved user interface that allows for easier maintenance and management of the NAS server.

EdgeWare provides a storage-centric, ease-of-use solution for heterogeneous network file systems and IPSan environments. The newest release of EdgeWare, Version 2.2, offers enhancements for customers focusing on additional storage features.

EdgeWare Version 2.2 Features and Enhancements:

EdgeWare Version 2.2 provides a full-featured NAS and iSCSI (IPSan) solution with improved system monitoring for administrators including:

- Expanded iSCSI target option
- Error recovery level 0, 1, and 2 are now supported
- Simultaneous network file services (e.g., Windows CIFS)
- Improved iSCSI target performance reaching local throughput with Gigabit network connections
- Synchronous mirroring option
- IP address and IP services failover option
- Expanded Monitoring options

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- High Availability and SNMP alerts (v1 and v2c) and SMART disk monitoring with advanced disk failure notification
- Expanded interoperability testing with software initiators from Microsoft, IBM, Cisco, and Freeport and hardware initiators in Qlogic, Adaptec, Alacritech, and Intel.
- Onboard hardware watchdog support and software watchdog support for remote or isolated storage solutions
- Disk-to-Disk-Tape Backup Software Support and DVD/CD disk caching option
- Quick hints and help without opening up the full Help Pages
- A web-based Internet browser look-and-feel most users are comfortable with

“We continue to put forth our risk-based decision process for effective software development into our EdgeWare O.S. product to deliver new-market functionality that customers need to more efficiently run their day-to-day-businesses,” stated Dr. Scott Smyth, CTO, Cutting Edge. EdgeWare NAS O.S. comes standard on Cutting Edge storage servers and can be licensed to third party solution providers. OEM opportunities are available.

About Cutting Edge

Cutting Edge is a woman-owned small business located in La Mesa, California, near San Diego. For over 12 years, Cutting Edge has been a trusted provider of data protection technology. Our proven expertise, value, and personalized care is why we are relied upon by business, the education sector, and government agencies. Cutting Edge offers storage solutions, custom servers and data recovery services to its customers. Cutting Edge is a world class Linux storage developer bringing the Open Source based high-performance, high availability EdgeWare NAS OS to the market.