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**InfiniBand® Trade Association Launches Integrator's List**

*Product Listing will Aid Data Center Managers in Deployments of Interoperable InfiniBand Solutions*

New York, June 17, 2003 - The InfiniBand Trade Association (IBTA) today announced the launch of an integrator's list targeted at aiding data center managers, CIOs and other IT professionals with their planned deployments of InfiniBand architecture solutions. The initial integrator's list will be available next month based on the testing results at the trade association's recent Plugfest. The list will feature products that have passed a suite of compliance and interoperability tests and is expected to be used as a gauge by customers to ensure deployment of interoperable InfiniBand solutions. InfiniBand architecture is a high-performance data center interconnect featuring 10 Gbps link speeds and low latency transfer of data between servers in a data center environment. The technology has begun deployments in HPC and data center clustering environments.

The announcement comes as the InfiniBand Trade Association hosts a media event at the Museum of the City of New York in Manhattan. The event features a keynote presentation from Dr. Tom Bradicich, CTO xSeries Server Division, IBM and a co-chair of the InfiniBand Trade Association Steering Committee, as well as presentations from IBM DB2 and Oracle. For the first time, leading users the University of Washington and Prudential Securities, describe their InfiniBand implantations. This event also features several InfiniBand demonstrations showcasing the benefits of the technology in a number of data center applications.

“The delivery of the Integrator's list is a pivotal turning point for the InfiniBand industry and the trade association's compliance and interoperability programs,” said Tom Macdonald, General Manager, Advanced Components Division, Intel and the other co-chair of the InfiniBand Trade Association steering committee. “This process began with spec development, moved to product development and is now focused on solution delivery. With 25 vendors participating in the last Plugfest with market ready products, the InfiniBand Trade Association will continue to expand our compliance and interoperability program to meet the needs of our members and their customers.”

The latest InfiniBand Trade Association Plugfest featured testing of over 25 vendors products. Results of integrators list testing will be made available to customers and the industry on the trade association website [www.infinibandta.org](http://www.infinibandta.org) in July 2003.

Started in August 1999, the InfiniBand Trade Association is made up of leading companies from every segment of the industry. The most recent version of the InfiniBand specifications, 1.0.a was made available in June 2001. This specification is publicly available for purchase and download from the Trade Association website: [www.infinibandta.org](http://www.infinibandta.org). The InfiniBand Trade Association is comprised of eight special workgroups, each with its own charter and area of expertise. The workgroups include: Marketing, Technical, Applications, Compliance and Interoperability, ElectroMechanical, Link, Management, and Software.

#### **About InfiniBand Trade Association**

The Internet is creating an increased demand for server computer I/O subsystem performance, scalability, reliability and flexibility. A shift to a switched fabric- based I/O architecture will enable industry participants to meet this increased demand. The InfiniBand Trade Association developed a specification for a channel-based, switched fabric architecture that provides a scalable performance range of 500Mbyte/s to 6 Gbyte/s, meeting the needs from entry level to high-end enterprise systems. InfiniBand Trade Association represents the industry's choice for developing I/O technologies that will keep pace with the demands of the Internet age.

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