

Cybernet Debuts Faster Linux Thin Servers

Industry's Leading Linux-based Thin Servers -- NetMAX -- Offer Increased Speed and Functionality

Ann Arbor, Michigan, Jan. 17, 2000- Once again simplifying Linux, Cybernet Systems Corporation today announced a faster and easier way to turn any PC into an Internet appliance with the NetMAX 2.2 update, a series of Linux-based thin servers supporting Linux Kernel 2.2.13.

NetMAX dramatically simplifies Linux server configuration and management while retaining the full power of Red Hat [™] OS (NASDAQ: RHAT) and proven applications such as the Apache web server, Sendmail, Samba and others. The NetMAX WebServer, FileServer and FireWall systems can be installed and configured in as little as 15 minutes through a few simple mouse clicks.

The NetMAX 2.2 update offers improved performance features and functionality including increased memory support, wider protocol usage and improved system speed. With support for the Linux 2.2.13 kernel, NetMAX now provides:

- Greater customization of firewall rules and increased number of supported protocols within NetMAX FireWall.
- Increased NetMAX performance through larger memory support. The memory system will auto-detect up to 1G of RAM, up from the previous auto-detect limit of 64 MB.
- Improved system speed due to large file descriptor support, which allows for a greater number of files to be open concurrently, a requirement for large databases.
- Better user interface performance by moving data quickly within the kernel. Data pointers are redirected, which is faster than actually copying the data
- Expanded NetMAX support for hardware devices, including processors and chipsets from Intel, Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. and Cyrix Corp.
- Optional support for symmetric multiprocessing, giving NetMAX the ability to support SMP Linux boxes.

"NetMAX enables users to quickly realize the full potential and flexibility of the Linux operating system," noted Cybernet's Greg Emery, senior vice president. "Providing support for the latest kernel ensures our users will be able to take full advantage of the latest server hardware, while maintaining the ease of use of NetMAX."

NetMAX WebServer, NetMAX FileServer and NetMAX FireWall can be purchased over-the-counter for less than \$100 at retailers such as CompUSA (NYSE: CPU), CDW Computer Centers (NASDAQ: CDWC), Fry's Electronics, MicroCenter and MicroWarehouse (NASDAQ: MWHS), and through resellers such as Ingram Micro (NYSE: IM), Navarre Corporation (NASDAQ: NAVR) and Frank Kasper & Associates.

About Cybernet

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