

## **THEINFOPRO RESEARCH SHOWS 10 GIGABIT ETHERNET SET TO GROW BY NEARLY ONE THIRD IN THE NEXT 18 MONTHS**

*High Speed Ethernet In The Core Networks Of Fortune 1000 And Midsize Enterprises Is Growing Fast*

NEW YORK, November 28, 2006—According to TheInfoPro's Wave 2 Networking Study, 26% of enterprises interviewed have already adopted the use of 10 Gigabit Ethernet in their core networks. The study also reveals that this figure is set to grow by over 30% by the end of 2007, placing it at the top of the TheInfoPro's Technology Heat Index™ of Data Network Infrastructure technologies. The findings are derived from 126 hour-long interviews with TheInfoPro's TIPNetwork of pre-screened Networking professionals from Fortune 1000 and Mid-sized enterprises that provide expert commentary for TIP's Networking Study.

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“Enterprises have been gaining the benefits of data center consolidation and server virtualization for some time now. In many cases, their core network becomes an impediment to the overall performance of the enterprise business applications,” stated Bill Trussell, Managing Director of TheInfoPro's Networking Sector. “With so many organizations depending heavily on their core applications, achieving peak performance to those infrastructure elements becomes paramount,” Trussell indicated. “Some enterprises have found upgrading their core networking to be relatively straightforward using their incumbent networking supplier while others are taking the opportunity to evaluate solutions offered by other technology companies,” adds Trussell.

Enterprise networking and companies including Nortel, Cisco, 3Com, HP, Enterasys, Juniper Networks, Extreme Networks, F5 Networks, Foundry, and Force 10 Networks stand to gain from this growing trend.

TheInfoPro's Wave 2 Networking Study details technology adoption trends and timeframes, management techniques and trends, vendor performance data as well as management strategies for the networking sector.

Additional Networking companies covered in the Wave 2 Networking Study include AT&T, Aruba, AudioCodes, Avaya, Aventail, BellSouth, Check Point, Citrix, Dell, Fortinet, IBM, Inter-Tel, INX, Level 3, Motorola, Packeteer, Qwest, Riverbed, ShoreTel, Skype, SonicWALL, Time Warner, Verizon.

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