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Network Instruments® Announces Expanded Tracking of Virtual and WAN Optimisation Performance

New Observer Infrastructure Streamlines Investigations and Strengthens Support for Virtual, WAN, and Database Environments

Minneapolis, MN – November 9, 2010 – Network Instruments, a worldwide leader in network and application performance management, today announced the release of the latest version of Observer Infrastructure (OI), which provides detailed metrics of the underlying infrastructure used in application delivery.

The new version of OI provides network teams with greater insight into the impact of system and device performance on application delivery, thus improving their ability to quickly identify a problem. This is accomplished with visibility into virtual, WAN, and database environments, new availability reports, and added investigation workflows.

“To guarantee optimal application delivery, network teams need a complete view of all aspects of performance,” said Brad Reinboldt, product marketing manager at Network Instruments. “Network Instruments is the only analysis vendor answering enterprise demand for integrated network, application, and system intelligence in a single platform. To tackle the increased complexity brought by virtualisation and WAN optimisation, OI now provides critical health metrics for ensuring on-time delivery of services.”

Monitoring Complex Environments

The new version offers expanded abilities to monitor distributed and multi-tiered environments. Network teams can now regularly poll and track availability and performance of Citrix Xen, Microsoft Hyper-V, VMware ESX servers, and Parallels Virtuozzo Containers. OI also supports Riverbed and HP WAN optimisation products and Cisco WAAS devices. Additional monitors provide increased support for DB2, Informix, MySQL, Oracle, SQL, Sybase ASE, and Java Management Extensions (JMX).

New Performance Reports and Workflows

OI offers new high-level summary and device availability reports which provide network teams quick and concise views to assess the underlying infrastructure supporting key business services. From these high-level reports, IT teams can navigate to sub-groups or specific device details.

Network engineers can organise reporting around complex, multi-tiered services, and quickly identify the problematic device. Status for each service, sub-group, and device is presented on a color-graded scale. These reports can be incorporated into higher-level Observer Reporting Server reports for enterprise-wide views.

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About Network Instruments

Network Instruments, a leading provider of performance management and troubleshooting solutions for 16 years, helps organisations ensure the delivery of business-critical applications. The company's platform of management and reporting products provides comprehensive visibility into networks and applications to optimise performance, speed troubleshooting, and assist long-term capacity planning. Network Instruments achieved profitability in its first quarter and posted revenue growth every year since its founding—without any external funding. Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company has sales offices worldwide and distributors in over 50 countries. For more information, please visit www.networkinstruments.co.uk.

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