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TEK-TOOLS SOFTWARE UNVEILS EMC/DELL CLARIION MODULE

*Profiler delivers comprehensive Clariion storage and
configuration data critical to the enterprise*

DALLAS, Texas – August 17, 2006 – Tek-Tools Software, a leading independent provider of resource management software solutions, today announced the availability StorageProfiler for the EMC/Dell Clariion/CX line of storage arrays. Profiler's Clariion module, a component of Tek-Tools' high-performance, modular resource reporting application, discovers logical and physical attributes and mappings based on EMC's V1.1 SMI-S provider implementation, giving Profiler the capability to report on Clariion's asset information, connectivity (LUNs and Ports), and capacity (physical disks, volumes, and storage pools) both in real time and historically.

StorageProfiler for EMC/Dell Clariion is an intuitive web-based application that unifies reporting, monitoring, and notification enabling IT staff to proactively monitor, manage, and report on the storage infrastructure within the enterprise. From the array to switches, HBAs, servers, and mission critical applications, customers can proactively manage and reclaim valuable man-hours through automation, mitigate the risk relative to regulatory and corporate compliance, reduce system outages, and improve performance. When Clariion arrays are used as reservoirs for backed up data, StorageProfiler for EMC Clariion can be combined with BackupProfiler's powerful backup reporting for a complete data protection management program.

StorageProfiler for Clariion supports multiple Clariion arrays, heterogeneous platforms, and mission critical applications such as SQL, Oracle, and Exchange. Intuitive by design, the Clariion module allows all levels of Management to customize different views of the data to meet their particular functional need. Custom grouping of assets, arrays, hosts, and file systems create a unique interface that maps technology to business structure for charge-back, capacity planning, and process automation.

Profiler's Clariion module is based on the Storage Management Industry Specifications (SMI-S) developed by SNIA, which assists in ascertaining and reporting on data for logical and physical mapping, physical components and operational status, and performance statistics over time. These standards adhere to common practices for data discovery, events, and active management across different hardware devices. Support for Hitachi, HP, and IBM will follow shortly.

According to Laura DuBois, Research Director for Storage Software at IDC, "Tek-Tools standards-based support for the EMC/Dell Clariion provider addresses three major challenges that users face with storage management; improving data availability and recovery, improving storage resource utilization and managing more storage without increasing management staff."

"Tek-Tools' commitment to developing storage and backup management software solutions based on SNIA's SMI-S standard greatly benefits end-users with the capability to manage complex multi-vendor networked storage configurations with a single storage management standard," said Wayne M. Adams, chair, SNIA board of directors. "The SNIA's SMI-S is recognized worldwide and is available in over 200 storage products from over 30 vendors."

Profiler's Clariion module reports on volumes, RAID groups/storage pools, disks, initiator and target ports, operational status for the array, processors, and all the associations between each entity. These reports can be run in intervals to collect data over time to assist in managed space consumption on RAID Groups, mapping storage

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volumes back to the host that they were assigned to, and how these volumes are load balanced across each storage processor on the array. Customers gain valuable insight into storage utilization across the enterprise, can identify the impact of a failure, and can trend and forecast for capacity planning and business continuity decisions, all from a single pane-of-glass view, eliminating the need for manually creating spreadsheets for LUN association and mapping. Profiler for Clariion is easier to deploy than competitive SAN management tools and cost significantly less, saving time and money.

“StorageProfiler for EMC Clariion delivers accurate, timely, and critical information to the right people within an IT organization, making it possible for executives, directors, and administrators to have the right data in order to make the most informed decisions and take actions that will enable the business as a whole to be more profitable, scalable, and competitive,” said Ken Barth, President and CEO of Tek-Tools. “The ability to map investment to the technology to ensure that both IT staff and assets are performing to maximum operational effectiveness sets Profiler apart in realizing the highest ROI and achieving the lowest total cost of ownership.”

About Tek-Tools Software

Tek-Tools Software, Inc. is a recognized leader in the resource management space. The Profiler Suite is a Web-based, real-time and historical resource monitoring and reporting application targeting SAN, NAS, direct attached storage, database, and backup pain-points. Tek-Tools' headquarters are located at 4020 McEwen Dr., Suite 105, in Dallas, Texas 75244, (972) 980-2890, and on the Web at www.tek-tools.com.

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