



New management appointment bolsters 3Com's operation in Australia

3Com Corporation, a leading provider of converged network infrastructure solutions, today announced the appointment of Angela Hughes to the position of Queensland state manager. In this role, Hughes will be responsible for heading up all state operations as well as managing a growing team of eight staff in 3Coms Brisbane branch. Hughes will focus on identifying and responding to new opportunities in the state of Queensland whilst maintaining the position of account director for one of 3Coms largest accounts the Department of Education, Training and the Arts (DETA). Grant Howe, 3Com country manager for Australia and New Zealand, believes that Hughes extensive 20 years of experience in the Queensland IT market will be a major asset to the company. He added, The addition of Angela to our Queensland management team will accelerate our strategy of bringing our current customers more value for their networking investment. She also brings the expertise to help us significantly grow our customer base in Australia. Prior to joining 3Com, Hughes spent two years as an account director for Dimension Data where she focussed on assisting in Queensland's whole of government strategy and played a pivotal role in the acquisition of major accounts. Prior to this, Hughes also spent two years as the general manager for Internet services at the University of Queensland and 11 years at AAPT as Queensland state manager. I am delighted to be joining the 3Com team at such a challenging time for businesses, said Hughes. With the current economic outlook, I was drawn to 3Com as a company that offers customers tremendous value for their networking dollar. This new role will give me the chance to help our existing customers receive more value from their IT budgets while expanding 3Coms footprint in the state. About 3Com Corporation 3Com Corporation is a \$1.3B global converged network infrastructure supplier that helps customers achieve business success by delivering solutions that provide exceptional value. The companys H3C enterprise networking portfolio provides best-in-class performance, efficiency and reliability and delivers unparalleled return on investment. With TippingPoint, 3Com is a leading provider of network-based intrusion prevention systems that deliver in-depth application protection, infrastructure protection, and performance protection. For further information, please visit www.3com.com, or the press site www.3com.com/pressbox.

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