



F5 Announces Flexible New Management Solutions Providing Customers with Essential Application Visibility

Enhanced monitoring and management capabilities deliver unparalleled, cost-effective control over network and application resources

F5 Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: FFIV), the global leader in Application Delivery Networking (ADN), today announced two new management solutions, Enterprise Manager™ 2.0 software and the Enterprise Manager 4000 hardware platform. These new offerings enhance F5's management solution portfolio and provide customers with improved visibility, automation and network health monitoring capabilities to ensure optimum performance and streamlined administrative control. Details Enterprise Manager is a centralised management platform for F5 BIG-IP devices that gives customers a consolidated, real-time view of their entire F5 Application Delivery Network, as well as the tools they need to optimise performance amidst changing network and user conditions. By combining simplified configuration management and performance monitoring in a single solution, Enterprise Manager helps organisations boost efficiency and reduce the time spent on redundant tasks and managing multiple devices. F5's new Enterprise Manager solutions enable customers to:

- Reduce OpEx with Simplified Application Delivery Networking** By consolidating and simplifying the management of BIG-IP Application Delivery Controllers, Enterprise Manager helps customers reduce operational expenses and infrastructure complexity. The ability to customise operations policies lets IT staff automate repetitive operational tasks such as certificate and configuration management and software updates, freeing up IT personnel to focus on other crucial tasks. The new 4000 hardware platform allows customers with as few as eight devices to take advantage of Enterprise Manager's sophisticated reporting, device monitoring and performance management capabilities.

- Easily Configure Application Delivery Networks for Continuously Optimised Performance** By providing real-time visibility into network and device performance, Enterprise Manager allows organisations to configure pre-set thresholds and alerts, enabling IT teams to adapt to changes in their application delivery environments. In addition, Enterprise Manager 2.0 gives organisations the ability to manage pools and pool members, giving administrators a central interface to quickly make changes (for instance, taking a server offline for scheduled maintenance) for both BIG-IP devices and the servers associated with them.
- Enhance Device Manageability for Geographically Dispersed IT Infrastructures** The ability to manage devices, and their associated servers, in a centralised fashion saves customers time. Today's organisations often employ trained staff in multiple locations to make manual policy changes or update devices one at a time. With Enterprise Manager, critical security updates can be performed simultaneously on separate devices. Customers can quickly and easily make changes to their network configuration and ensure that new policies are in place immediately, no matter where the device is located.

Supporting Quotes "As enterprises look to scale, consolidate, and automate network functions, solutions like F5's Enterprise Manager continue to demonstrate attractive ROI for customers," said Zeus Kerravala, Senior Vice President of Enterprise Research at Yankee Group. "Unified device management capabilities, comprehensive visibility into application delivery environments and granular control over application resources should be primary considerations as organisations seek to minimise IT complexity or evaluate cloud and other resource-on-demand computing models." "Global organisations continue to rely on F5 solutions to scale their application delivery capabilities and support their evolving IT infrastructures," said Kurt Hansen, Managing Director of F5 in Australia and New Zealand. "The new Enterprise Manager software enhances organisations' ability to cost-effectively manage and track application performance metrics across an F5 infrastructure. For our customers, this translates into holistic visibility into application delivery at a glance. In addition, by updating the Enterprise Manager hardware portfolio, F5 provides excellent value, consolidated device management, and a clear upgrade path for customers with even a small number of BIG-IP devices in their network."Availability The Enterprise Manager 4000 hardware platform and Enterprise Manager 2.0 software are available now. For more information, please visit www.f5.com/products/enterprise-manager/.

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