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HP Announces Next-generation Automated Network Management Software
Enhanced software improves security, automation and network-availability management across converged infrastructure

PALO ALTO, Calif., June 4, 2012 — HP today announced HP Automated Network Management (ANM) 9.2 for Converged Infrastructure, an enhanced software offering that helps clients keep up with constantly changing business demands by delivering a unified network-management platform that is efficient, automated and secure.

Enterprises and governments are tasked with delivering quality services, maintaining everyday operations management, and innovating while spending less. They also must minimize infrastructure complexity associated with the proliferation of cloud and virtualization technologies, as well as ensure their networks can support business-critical applications.

HP ANM 9.2 enables technology organizations to:

- Improve control with heterogeneous network support with management of fault, performance, availability, change and configuration automation.
- Increase visibility by providing IT executives a single view of how applications and the supporting network are helping meet critical enterprise objectives across hybrid IT environments.
- Reduce costs through better prioritization of existing and future infrastructure investments based on new KPIs specifically designed for network management.

"Like most companies, we need a secure network management software offering that will help ensure the maximum network health in support of our critical business service applications which directly enable our medical staff to provide superior patient care," said Jason Siegrist, Technical Manager, Enterprise Management Systems, Sentara Healthcare. "HP Automated Network Management 9 is helping us achieve our converged infrastructure goals and better manage our ever expanding environment with a single network management solution."

HP ANM 9.2 includes major enhancements to HP Network Node Manager (NNMi), HP Network Automation, NNMi Performance and NNMi Advanced Smart Plug-in add-on modules (iSPIs). It also provides access to new network-management Key Performance
Indicators (KPIs) that deliver greater insight into network availability and performance, enabling technology executives to make informed investment decisions.

ANM also automates change, configuration, compliance, cloud lifecycle and routine network administrative tasks, saving time and freeing resources to focus other key technology initiatives. It delivers converged network security management by connecting network and security operations, which allows ANM users to correlate security events with network fault, availability and performance events.

ANM 9.2 has enhanced its integration with HP Intelligent Management Center (IMC), which provides single-solution management and visibility of heterogeneous networked devices with automated configuration of network IT tasks. Together, ANM and IMC provide comprehensive management of the business services enabling executives to make a range of informed decisions, from investment and priority of networked-IT programs, to automated configuration of network devices across wired and wireless environments.

“As organizations introduce new technologies to their converged infrastructures, the need for a network-management blueprint for data centers increases,” said Shane Pearson, vice president, Product Marketing, Software, Enterprise Group, HP. “HP Automated Network Management software enables clients to increase network visibility and save costs like never before with a single solution that optimizes business decisions as well as IT investments.”

HP ANM is a key component of the HP IT Performance Suite, the next-generation enterprise performance software platform that enables IT management to improve performance with operational intelligence.

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