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New Hewlett Packard Enterprise Hyper-Converged Solution Accelerates Customers' Journey to the Hybrid Cloud

Hyper Converged 250 for Microsoft Cloud Platform System Standard delivers simplified management and reduced risk

PALO ALTO, CA and LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM – December 1, 2015 – Today, at Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) Discover London, HPE announced a new solution designed to provide customers the flexibility to choose the right mix of on-premise and public cloud with simplified management and secure computing. This new solution enables organizations large and small to run business applications on-premise while leveraging the public cloud for services such as backup and disaster recovery. The new, innovative HPE Hyper Converged 250 for Microsoft Cloud Platform System (CPS) Standard enables organizations to easily manage and deliver the right mix of services through private and public cloud with Microsoft Azure.

Hyper-converged systems, which are preconfigured with scalable compute, storage, networking and virtual software plus Microsoft software, enable organizations to deliver the right mix of infrastructure and cloud services. These systems provide a single platform that is easy to manage, highly available and require no additional specialists to deploy or maintain. The HPE Hyper Converged 250 for Microsoft CPS Standard delivers a self-service cloud environment designed to help IT and developers streamline the deployment of Windows and Linux workloads.

“IT organizations today need on-premise solutions that enable them to run their critical business applications, but also want the flexibility to access Azure public cloud services,” said Ric Lewis, senior vice president and general manager, Converged Data Center Infrastructure, HPE. *“HPE and Microsoft are collaborating on this powerful new hyper-converged solution that delivers the economic benefits of cloud,*

while providing the performance, high-availability and reliability that businesses demand.”

Simplified Management

HPE Hyper Converged 250 for Microsoft CPS Standard provides an integrated management experience, with seamless integration between HPE OneView and Microsoft System Center. The HPE OneView management platform for Microsoft System Center enables businesses to easily manage their infrastructure, from virtual machines to the network edge. HPE OneView and Microsoft System Center integration empowers:

- **Software-defined control** through an open architecture that easily integrates with the data center resources and allows customers to quickly scale workloads to the cloud.
- **Centralized dashboards** allowing simultaneous monitoring of compute, storage and network components. These dashboards provide a granular view on infrastructure health and alert when corrective actions are needed.
- **Automated storage provisioning** for Microsoft System Center Virtual Machine Manager using the HPE StoreVirtual DSM for Multipath I/O (MPIO), to optimize bandwidth.

Providing Microsoft Azure Services On-Premise

Bringing together industry leading HPE ProLiant technology and Microsoft Azure innovation, the jointly engineered solution brings Azure services to customers' datacenters, empowering users to choose where and how they want to leverage the cloud. The solution provides a self-service cloud environment; rich with the services and automation that developers and IT professionals need to deploy the applications business users demand. CPS also delivers a familiar and consistent end user experience through the Windows Azure Pack management portal, and supports hybrid scenarios like disaster recovery through Azure Site Recovery.

The new appliance comes pre-configured with Windows Server 2012 R2, System Center 2012 R2, Windows Azure Pack and HPE OneView InstantOn to accelerate time-to-value and provide customers with a turnkey solution for cloud service delivery.

Reducing complexity and risk

The HPE Hyper Converged 250 for Microsoft CPS Standard features four individually serviceable servers in a single 2U chassis to enable organizations to choose the best configuration to suit their workloads. Built on proven HPE ProLiant Gen9 compute platforms and HPE StoreVirtual technologies, the solution is designed to deliver performance, density and efficiency for scale-out workloads and on-premises cloud.

To reduce complexity and risk, the cloud-ready solution from HPE features:

- **Integrated data services including backup and disaster recovery.** The appliance provides transparent virtual machine failover across nodes, systems and sites, offering protection in the event of a failure.
- **HPE support.** HPE's global support team and extensive channel partner network deliver hardware and software support where and when it's needed.

For more information, visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e6lX8_Kn_HY, www.hpe.com/hyperconverge or www.microsoft.com/cps.

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