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CloudShield Joins Micromuse Alliance Program™

CloudShield currently demonstrating CloudShield CA-5000™ solution at Micromuse's North American Netcool® User Conference, October 14-16

Sunnyvale, California, October 15, 2003 - CloudShield Technologies announced it has joined the Micromuse Alliance Program™. As a member of the Alliance Program CloudShield will work with Micromuse, the leading provider of business and service assurance solutions, to develop a Netcool® Ready™ integration between its CloudShield CA-5000™ Programmable Packet Computer (PPC) and the Netcool® software suite. CloudShield is currently demonstrating its solution at the North American Netcool User Conference 2003, October 14-16 at the Hyatt Regency Reston in Reston, Virginia.

Pending Netcool Ready certification, the integrated solution will enable CloudShield's CA-5000 PPC to forward information about packet content inspection of network layers 2-7 to the Netcool database. These events can then be consolidated and correlated with other network data based on real-time application-level and service-level measurements, including threshold and request/transaction data. Using this information, administrators will be able to make rapid and intelligent determinations about network performance and quality of service (QoS).

"Micromuse is helping CloudShield address our network management systems market segment," said Pat Reilly, Vice President Marketing and Business Development, CloudShield. "We are pleased to be a member of the Alliance Program and look forward to working with Micromuse to enable a more granular level of detail for more efficient network analysis."

About CloudShield

The market faces a serious problem today: there is no good way to provide real-time content control with existing network equipment. The right solution requires a new approach. CloudShield will be making major announcements about its development of this breakthrough solution, as well as major organizational and market momentum, in early 2004.

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