

# Array Networks' Application Delivery Controllers Approved to Provide High-Availabilityfor Microsoft Lync™Server 2010

Microsoft-qualified APV Series appliances optimize and scale unified communicationsfor any user, anywhere on any device

MILPITAS, CA-May 8, 2012 – Array Networks Inc., a global leader in application, desktop and cloud service delivery, today announced the immediate availability of its Microsoft-approved load balancing solution for Lync™Server 2010. Array's APV Series application delivery controllers ensure the availability of Lync services by optimizing resource utilization, maximizing throughput, minimizing response times and ensuring a seamless user experience in the event that application servers become unavailable. Moreover, the joint Array and Microsoft® solutions deliver compelling economics and value versus alternative load balancing solutions for enterprises running Lync 2010 unified communications.

"Array has worked closely with Microsoft to create products that accelerate and optimize the delivery of Lync services," said Neville Nandkeshwar, director of product marketing at Array Networks. "In essence, the qualification by Microsoft assures enterprises that they will gain the greatest value from their Lync investment. The joint solution is an integral part of Array's application delivery architecture and addresses the growing challenge of providing highly available unified communications to any user, anywhere, on any device."

## **Maximum Value and Superior Economics**

Array's application delivery controllerappliances are purpose-built for simplicity, scale and performance. Enterprises can leverage these feature-rich appliances to intelligently load balance and optimize Lync traffic across multipleserversand datacenters for an improved local and global user experience. In addition, Array'spurpose-built appliances deliver lower TCO by providing superior price performance versus alternative solutions and reducing costs associated with servers, software licenses, bandwidth and energy.

"Our goal is to empower our customers to deliver application services without compromising user experience, security or return-on-investment. Our joint solution with Microsoft for LyncServer 2010 is a perfect example of how we are working with application developers to create end-to-end solutions that ensure the performance, availability and security of applications over the Internet," said Michael Zhao, CEO of Array Networks.

### **Solution Highlights**

Array's APV Series application delivery controllers can provide connectivity to multiple front-end servers in an enterprise pool, provide connectivity to multiple directors in an arrayor provide connectivity to both internal and external network interface cards (NICs) for multiple edge servers in an array.

Essentialfunctions performed by Array APV Series application delivery controllers deployed for Lync Server 2010 include:

- Intelligent load balancing of Lync services across multiple servers
- Service persistence to PCs, laptops and mobile devices including tablets and smart phones
- Health-checks forLync services to detect failed or overloaded servers and automatically re-route traffic
- Offloading of connection management and other non-core Lync functions from application servers to dedicated appliances for optimized performance
- Local and global availability of services with seamless redirection of users in the event of server or site failure
- Protection ofLync servers from DDoS attacks
- Scalabilityfrom ten to tens-of-thousands of concurrent users on a single appliance, with the ability to cluster up to 32 APV Series appliances for unlimited scalability

As a Microsoft qualified load balancing solution for Lync 2010, APV Series application delivery controllers have met all requirements for interoperability with Lync Server 2010, provide a quick start guide for rapid installation and configuration and have demonstrated enterprise-class standards for reliability and scalability. For more information on the joint Array Networks and Microsoft solution for Lync 2010, download our step-by-step <a href="Lync 2010 Deployment Guide">Lync 2010 Deployment Guide</a>.

### **About Array Networks**

Array Networks is a global leader in application, desktop and cloud service delivery with over 5000 worldwide customer deployments. Powered by award-winning SpeedCore™ software, Array solutions are recognized by leading enterprise, service provider and public sector organizations for unmatched performance and total value of ownership. Array is headquartered in Silicon Valley, is backed by over 300 employees worldwide and is a profitable company with strong investors, management and revenue growth. Poised to capitalize on explosive growth in the areas of mobile and cloud computing, analysts and thought leaders including Deloitte, Red Herring and Frost & Sullivan have recognized Array Networks for its technical innovation, operational excellence and market opportunity. To learn more, visit www.arraynetworks.com.

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