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### **Next AVnu-Certified Switches Hit the Market**

Extreme Networks Family of X460 Switches Receives AVnu Certification.

**Beaverton, Ore. – November 6, 2014** – <u>Extreme Networks</u>, Inc. <u>EXTR</u> and <u>AVnu Alliance</u><sup>®</sup>, the only industry consortium driving open standards-based deterministic networking through certification, is proud to announce another series of AVnucertified AVB switches. The Extreme Networks Summit<sup>®</sup> X460 Series of stackable switches has passed all testing for certification and will now bear the AVnu-certified Logo.

"In a big step forward for adoption and scale of the AVnu-certified ecosystem, we are excited to announce the X460 family of AVnu-certified switches from Extreme Networks, creating increased choices for end users," said AVnu Alliance President, Rick Kreifeldt. "AVnu Alliance and our members are ensuring interoperability across a broad ecosystem of devices through certification, which will bring economies of scale and drive down total costs. There are many more AVB end points and switches in the pipeline for AVnu certification, with certification and interoperability testing for automotive, video and consumer electronics expected to open in 2015."

AVnu Alliance has built robust and comprehensive testing requirements for products based on the market requirements. The tests ensure that the product conforms to the relevant IEEE standards, as well as additional requirements that AVnu Alliance has selected as necessary for proper system interoperability.

"AVnu-certification has allowed us to go the extra step for our customers toward scalability, flexibility and reliability throughout the network. We are very proud to now have two families of AVnu-certified switches on the market and we will continue to pursue certification for more switches," said Todd Acree, Director of Product Management at Extreme Networks, AVnu Alliance member. "AVB standards provide a dynamic infrastructure that has huge benefits for our customers. AVnu-certification of our X460 series minimizes maintenance and reduces total cost while simplifying system design and optimization of the network."

Extreme Networks' AVB Summit X460 Series, now AVnu-certified, is intelligent, cost effective edge switching that is highly scalable, with a small form factor. The X460 series is based on Extreme Networks® revolutionary ExtremeXOS, a highly resilient

OS that provides continuous uptime, manageability, and operational efficiency. The Summit X460, with 6 ports of 10GbE ports on each switch, can also be used as a top-of-rack switch for many data center environments with features such as high-density Gigabit Ethernet for concentrated data center environments.

AVnu Certification is open for switches and professional audio products at its appointed testing house, University of New Hampshire InterOperability Lab (UNH-IOL). Any member may enter it into certification testing.

### **About Extreme Networks**

Extreme Networks, Inc. is setting a new standard for superior customer experience by delivering network-powered innovation and market leading service and support. The company delivers high-performance switching and routing products for data center and core-to-edge networks, wired/wireless LAN access, and unified network management and control. Our award-winning solutions include software-defined networking (SDN), cloud and high-density Wi-Fi, BYOD and enterprise mobility, identity access management and security. Extreme Networks is headquartered in San Jose, CA and has more than 12,000 customers in over 80 countries.

# **About AVnu Alliance**

The AVnu Alliance is a community creating an interoperable ecosystem of low-latency, time-synchronized, highly reliable networked devices using open standards. AVnu creates comprehensive certification programs to ensure interoperability of networked devices. The foundational technology enables deterministic synchronized networking based on IEEE Audio Video Bridging (AVB) / Time Sensitive Networking (TSN) base standards. The Alliance, in conjunction with other complimentary standards bodies and alliances, develops complete solutions in professional AV, automotive, industrial control and consumer segments.

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