



Talari Announces Successful Completion of ONUG's First Testing Program

Validates Market Solutions Against Key IT Requirements

May 13, 2015 – ONUG Spring 2015, New York – [Talari Networks, Inc.](#), the leading provider of Software Defined WAN (SD-WAN) solutions that help businesses perform brilliantly with the creation of a smart network that proactively manages capacity, quality and performance, today announced the successful completion of ONUG's first testing program to validate market solutions against key IT requirements from the Open Networking User Group (ONUG) Conference at Columbia University. The ONUG use case validation testing is a landmark event in the networking industry, signaling the first time commercial solutions are being tested against requirements outlined by the ONUG Working Groups. This extensive, 3-month long testing process was conducted by Ixia in conjunction with ONUG.

The ONUG tests aim to provide proof of concepts, feature validation and demonstrations to ensure that the networking solutions in the network overlays, SD-WAN and network services virtualization areas deliver on the top ten requirements developed by the ONUG Working Groups.

"We were delighted to have Talari on board with ONUG this spring. These tests underscore our commitment to the ONUG Community of IT executives and vendors to validate product features that meet IT business leader requirements for enterprise cloud infrastructure," said Nick Lippis, Chairman and Co-Founder of ONUG. "We are confident that this testing effort with partners such as Talari will assist in moving the open infrastructure industry from technology curiosity to operations."

Talari successfully demonstrated SD-WAN requirements 1 through 8 using Talari's Adaptive Private Networking (APN) operating software and the Talari Appliances T3010, T510 and Virtual Appliance T500. The following important criteria were successfully demonstrated during the verification test:

- The ability to direct traffic across Hybrid WANs according to company policy and application type;
- Ability to detect a link failure and move traffic to remaining links;
- Ability to apply prioritization policies to specific applications under congestion caused by link failure;
- Line, flow and application-level dashboards; and

- Network consisting of a Talari physical appliance and a Talari virtual appliance.

“We were glad to participate in ONUG’s first testing program and we’re particularly proud that we were able to demonstrate almost instantaneous detection of the failed link and shift traffic to the remaining links with no loss, no out of order packets and virtually no jitter,” said Talari’s CTO & Co-founder John Dickey. “The test conditions realistically mirrored those of our many customers who run hybrid WANs with a mix of applications and we were able to publicly demonstrate the functionality our customers take advantage of every day. With Talari, they have a THINKING WAN that adapts itself to changing conditions without any impact to end users and application performance, even in the face of failed or degraded network links.”

ONUG Working Groups

ONUG’s six current working groups represent the centerpiece of the IT community’s work toward bringing software defined networking to the larger networking industry. SDN has been a work in progress, requiring much-needed user input and leadership to affect the development of commercial products.

ONUG kicked off its initial three working groups, focused on Virtual Networks/Overlays, Network Services Virtualization, and Software-Defined Wide Area Network (SD-WAN), in the spring of 2014 to develop use cases and associated requirements. Headed by members of the ONUG Board and top IT business leaders, the working groups represent user-driven capabilities, a major departure from typical networking developments led by vendors.

At ONUG Fall 2014, each of these three working groups generated white papers that included six architectural design models mapped to uses cases with top ten requirements. The current testing program is the crucial second step toward validating market solutions against these ten requirements for each of the three groups.

Three additional working groups were formed in January 2015 to round out the broader SDN deployment across the enterprise. The new groups include: Network State Collection, Correlation, and Analytics; Common Management Tools across Network, Storage, and Compute; and Traffic Monitoring/Visibility.

To see Talari’s official testing report, visit http://www.talari.com/onug_test_results/

About ONUG

ONUG is the leading user-driven community of IT executives focused on leveraging the power of their engineering and procurement to influence the pace and deployment of open networking solutions. The ONUG Board is composed of IT leaders from Bank of America, Cigna, Citigroup, Credit Suisse, FedEx, Fidelity Investments, Gap, Inc., JPMorgan Chase, the

Lippis Report, Morgan Stanley, Pfizer, Symantec, and UBS. For more on ONUG, go to www.OpenNetworkingUserGroup.com or follow us on Twitter @ONUG_

About Talari

Talari, the leading provider of Software Defined WAN (SD-WAN) solutions, is changing the way companies think about, create and manage their WAN by giving the network *brainwidth*. Only Talari's THINKING WAN proactively manages capacity, reliability and performance, packet by packet—to keep critical applications running, reduce costs and liberate IT to innovate new ways for the company to be brilliant. To learn more about Talari, visit www.talari.com.

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