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Service Providers Deploy NETSCOUT for Mega-Scale Monitoring Visibility

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New Flagship PFS 6010 Adds Industry's Highest Performance System to Packet Flow Switch Family

WESTFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 16, 2016-- **NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC.** (NASDAQ:NTCT), a market leader in service assurance and cybersecurity solutions, announced the addition of a groundbreaking blade and chassis Packet Flow Switch: the PFS 6010. Carriers who have migrated to 100G networks require monitoring visibility infrastructure that scales with their networks, and allows them to leverage investments in existing 1G or 10G monitoring tools. A number of service providers around the world have already selected the PFS 6010 due to its scale, from 1G to 100G; performance, with a 6Tbps non-blocking fabric architecture; port density, from 60 to 600 ports in a single chassis, and flexibility, effectively bridging the gap between 100G networks and 1/10/40G monitoring tools. These service providers also leverage advanced packet conditioning capabilities such as packet slicing, header stripping and de-duplication to ensure their networks are managed efficiently.

The PFS 6010 solves a critical challenge that organizations managing large networks encounter: scaling access to network traffic with the growing need for service assurance, performance management, application management and additional security systems. According to IHS Infonetics Research, the 100G monitoring switch ports market is expected to grow by 106% annually through 2019.[1] In the past, port contention, stemming from the limited number of access ports and speed mismatches, has hampered deployments. The combination of high density, scalability and flexibility from the PFS 6010 helps service providers and large enterprises migrate to 40G and 100G networks by enabling monitoring and security policies to be maintained by existing 10G/1G tools.

"As the largest networks evolve from 10G to 40G and 100G, there is a critical need for high-performance packet flow switches that support aggregation and processing of high-speed network traffic to different performance, application, and security monitoring tools that may not be able to process traffic at these higher speeds," said

Matthias Machowinski, research director, Enterprise Networks and Video, for IHS. “NETSCOUT’S PFS 6010 delivers the required performance to support service assurance across these large-scale environments.”

The comprehensive NETSCOUT Packet Flow Switching solution optimizes, protects, and simplifies service delivery and performance management in large-scale deployments within service providers and large-scale enterprise data centers. The PFS 6010 complements the existing PFS 3900 family of packet flow switches, bringing advanced conditioning features and the higher capacity for 100G requirements. “This is a strategic expansion of our portfolio, enabling packet flow switches to scale to the needs of the world’s largest and most innovative service providers who need application visibility,” said Brian McCann, vice president and general manager of NETSCOUT’s Packet Flow Switch Business Unit. “With 6Tbps performance and up to 600 available ports, the PFS 6010 offers the industry’s most scalable packet flow switch solution, supporting advanced traffic optimization, filtering and flow balancing functionality in a single system that support speeds from 1G to 100G.”

About the PFS 6010

The new flagship packet flow switch from NETSCOUT, the PFS 6010 serves as the monitoring backbone for large-scale network infrastructure in service provider and private cloud networks and in large enterprise data centers. The PFS 6010 delivers the industry's highest density and most scalable blade-in-chassis packet flow switch solution.

Key features and capabilities of the PFS 6010 include:

- Massive scalability supports the largest datacenter and mobile network deployments, with up to 600 ports of 10G or 60 ports of 100G in a single chassis
- Carrier class reliability and application performance with a non-blocking 6Tbps line rate fabric and fully redundant architecture
- Advanced flexibility easily accommodates various traffic types and requirements, from 1G to 10G to 40G to 100G, with aggregation, replication, load balancing and advanced packet conditioning functionality
- Highly modular 15RU 10-slot chassis, where each blade can be selected and deployed based on speeds, port density and functionality required

Expanding the PFS portfolio, the PFS 6010 enables larger NETSCOUT PFS visibility networks for NETSCOUT probe applications and other third-party monitoring tools and security systems. Customers benefit from being able to deploy service assurance, security, and packet flow switching as a solution from a single vendor with leading technology, unmatched performance, and integrated business processes, such as NETSCOUT’s award-winning MasterCare customer support.

The PFS 6010 is available now. To learn more about the PFS 6010 go to **http://www.netscout.com/product/service-**

provider/ngenius-6000-series-packet-flow-switch-service-provider/ or visit NETSCOUT at Mobile World Congress 2016 in Barcelona, in Hall 1, Stand 1C40.

About NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC.

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. (NASDAQ: NTCT) is a market leader in real-time service assurance and cyber security solutions for today's most demanding service provider, enterprise and government networks. NETSCOUT's Adaptive Service Intelligence (ASI) technology continuously monitors the service delivery environment to identify performance issues and provides insight into network-based security threats, helping teams to quickly resolve issues that can cause business disruptions or impact user experience. NETSCOUT delivers virtually unmatched service visibility and protects the digital infrastructure that supports our connected world. To learn more, visit **www.netscout.com**.

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[1] IHS Infonetics Research, Network Monitoring Switches Annual Worldwide and Regional Market Size and Forecasts, July 2015.

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