

New edition of the Storage Management Software Open-E DSS V6

Open-E DSS brings a new version of V6 to the market. The software includes more than 15 new features that contribute to greater security, faster access and ease of use.

Stoneham, MA, October 5th, 2010: Open-E, a leading developer of innovative storage management software, releases on October 6th, the latest version of Data Storage software V6 (DSS V6). The result of continuous development is evident in more than 15 additional features. The new features increase the effectiveness and efficiency of DSS V6 storage software installations to meet the increased needs of businesses. For FC, iSCSI, SAN and NAS users, the product offers improvements in all areas, making it simultaneously the highest performing and most cost-effective storage operating system on the market.

The most recent development work for Open-E DSS V6 places emphasis on Fibre Channel functionality. Users now have the ability to switch quickly between FC initiator and target modes without restarting when using QLogic 2/4/8 GB. Users can also switch between Port Modes without rebooting. DSS V6 guarantees smooth operation during the configuration of the server thanks to Automatic Session Reassignment (ASR) for Fibre Channel and iSCSI Protocol. It allows you to rename, remove, and perform WWN assignment without interfering with other sessions or blocking operations. The use of QLogic host bus adapters has been enhanced in target mode. It is now possible to connect more than 8 ports to a machine. These changes contribute to higher performance of DSS V6.

With the addition of support for the Adaptec MaxiQ SSD, product-performance is increased as much as eightfold. The Adaptec MaxiQ SSD kit allows the server to cache frequently used data to a fast SSD. DSS V6 will now use this adapter automatically. Moreover, performance can be enhanced by adding more spindles using the expander in the upgraded Open-E DSS V6 LSI RAID Manager. Through the Open-E DSS GUI V6 multiple resources can be managed simultaneously. The new GUI Static Routing Manager enables changes in the order of the routing rules. This feature makes it easier to deal with the system if more network interfaces are connected on the same subnet.

The new Open-E DSS V6 also includes new ACL options for SMB/CIFS, such as Owner Inherit, Inherit Permissions, Inherit ACL's, Map ACL Inherit and locking. Administrators now have greater flexibility in configuring shares to support many different access and usage scenarios in multi-user and client-server enterprise environments. *"We are delighted to improve the stability of iSCSI and Fibre Channel with a number of protocol enhancements and upgrades"* said Krzysztof Franek, president and CEO of Open-E. *"Our developers also improved the support for Adaptec controllers and made significant quality improvements in the networking IO code. These changes make the new version of Open-E DSS V6 storage software the most innovative and versatile on the market."*

Detailed information on the new version of Open-E DSS V6 can be found at:
<http://www.open-e.com/products/open-e-dss-v6/>

Features of Open-E DSS V6

The Open-E Data Storage Software V6 (DSS V6) is a unified file and block storage management operating system (OS), which provides Network Attached Storage (NAS), iSCSI and Fibre Channel Storage Area Network (SAN) functionality. Superior performance, security and scalability are offered at a fraction of the costs of alternative storage options. Advanced features of Open-E DSS V6 include data and volume replication, snapshot-volume, automated failover for iSCSI volumes, WORM and NDMP.

Designed for versatile and flexible use with a variety of hardware RAID platforms from leading providers, Open-E DSS V6 allows the combination of NAS devices and iSCSI SAN systems, and the integration of multiple network interface controllers including Gigabit Ethernet, 10 Gigabit Ethernet and Fibre Channel. Open-E DSS V6 supports logical volumes greater than 16 TB. The software is available with a license capacity of 4, 8, and 16 TB. Optionally, the capacity can be further expanded.

About Open-E

Open-E, Inc. is a pioneering leader and developer of IP-based storage management software with headquarters in the United States and Europe. Our Storage Management Software is aimed at the SMB and SME markets and enjoys a reputation for best-in-class performance, flexibility, reliability, scalability and return-on-investment. The new Open-E DSS V6 product line provides a storage management solution that can be used by any company.

Open-E delivers its software exclusively through a world-wide network of experienced system integrators and reseller partners. With an extensive network of over 600 registered OEMs, distributors and reseller partners, including over 200 Open-E certified partners, our customers have the flexibility to work with the hardware solution provider of their choice, allowing Open-E to focus on its core competence of storage software development.

With over 12,000 installations in over 90 countries, Open-E data storage solutions are used also by Fortune 500 customers world-wide.

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