Tandberg Data's New BizNAS™ Optimizes Networked and Cloud Storage for Business

New NAS appliance family stores, centralizes and protects 1TB to 16TB of shared files, block data and Dropbox cloud-based digital assets

Westminster, CO, April 9, 2013, Tandberg Data®, a leader in information storage and protection solutions for small and medium-sized businesses, remote offices and workgroups, today launched the BizNAS™ family of self-protecting network-attached-storage (NAS) appliances. Designed and manufactured by Tandberg Data specifically for demanding business environments, BizNAS appliances provide fast and easy deployment of up to 16TB of resilient storage for file sharing among Windows®, Mac® and Linux® systems, plus simultaneous iSCSI block storage for server virtualization. Featuring a high-performance Intel® dual-core architecture, the BizNAS accommodates up to four disk drives and will be available in desktop and 1U rackmount configurations.

The BizNAS delivers absolute simplicity and intuitive ease-of-use without compromising performance or capability. Integrated data protection tools safeguard precious digital assets from anywhere on the network. Offline and offsite disaster protection can be seamlessly integrated using an optional RDX® QuikStor™—the world's de facto standard for rugged removable disk storage. The BizNAS will even protect its own operating system and configuration settings for complete bare metal restore capability.

"So many NAS products are loaded with excessive features (typically, consumer features) that a business doesn't need," said Eric Slack, senior analyst with Storage Switzerland. "We're impressed that Tandberg Data has designed a NAS device that offers a combination of simplicity and robustness for the professional user, from the novice to advanced level."

The BizNAS also gives IT managers the power to centralize, monitor and protect multiple accounts of Dropbox, the cloud-based storage service with over 100 million users worldwide. Used as an additional Dropbox synchronization point, the BizNAS automatically copies all versions of Dropbox data to any disk accessible to the BizNAS or to removable RDX cartridges for a convenient and secure offline, archiving and disaster recovery solution. Additionally, the BizNAS keeps IT managers informed and in-control with real-time logging and alerts of Dropbox events.

"Tandberg Data set out to create a product that would be the easiest and most cost-effective way to add several terabytes of reliable storage to the network," said Ted Oade, worldwide director of product management and marketing for Tandberg Data. "With the BizNAS, we are able to deliver much more, including automated self-protection of the NAS operating system and its configuration settings, offsite disaster recovery using removable RDX media, and helpful tools to centralize and protect digital assets stored in the enormously popular Dropbox cloud."

Pricing and Availability

The BizNAS will be available in the next few weeks with suggested list prices starting at $699. The BizNAS is backed by Tandberg Data's business-friendly two-year advanced replacement warranty. Warranty extensions and USB-attached RDX QuikStor removable disk storage systems are available separately.

RDX Technology Overview

RDX removable disk technology is Tandberg Data's unique dock and cartridge system that combines the reliability, portability, long archive life, and low cost of tape with the speed, random access and ease of use of disk. RDX cartridges are available in hard drive and solid-state disk capacities ranging from 64GB to 1.5TB. All RDX cartridges are removable for offsite storage, disaster recovery and archival applications, and are built to last more than 10 years with normal use.