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Emerson Network Power Rugged Processing Blade Now Verified by Cisco for Secure Unified Communications in Federal and Defense Applications

Interoperability with Cisco Unified Communications Manager and VMware virtualization software helps simplify and accelerate deployment

TEMPE, Ariz., US. [26 April, 2012] – Emerson Network Power, a business of Emerson (NYSE:EMR) and the global leader in enabling *Business-Critical Continuity™*, today announced that its rugged 3U CompactPCI® processing blade is now verified by Cisco for secure unified communications solutions in federal and defense applications. The CPCI7203, running VMware® virtualization software, has completed interoperability verification testing for the Cisco Unified Communications Manager, enabling a new generation of scalable and highly available collaborative communications platforms for government agencies and network-centric defense applications.

"Validation of the Emerson Network Power CPCI7203 processing blade will enable quicker and easier transition from legacy deployed PBX systems and simplify maintenance to help reduce total cost of ownership," said Paul Virgo, marketing director for the Embedded Computing business of Emerson Network Power. "In today's security-conscious environment, the ability to collaborate with encrypted communications is more important than ever. Emerson is pleased to expand its capabilities in this area and receive this affirmation from Cisco."

Cisco Unified Communications Manager Release 8.6.1 is completing certification at the Joint Interoperability Test Command (JITC), which allows it to operate on U.S. Department of Defense communications networks. It enables defense agencies to

manage their communications quickly and conveniently in order to focus on mission-critical tasks.

The Emerson Network Power CPCI7203 single-board computer uses the Intel® Core™ i7 integrated dual-core processor in the 3U form factor for high performance applications in space-constrained applications. Emerson's leading edge thermal and rugged solution makes the CPCI7203 ideal for harsh environments. On-board memory includes up to 8GB soldered ECC DDR3 memory and the air cooled variants also support 256KB non-volatile memory and 4GB MicroSD flash. Conduction cooled variants offer a high density 1.8" SSD storage solution.

The [Cisco Developer Network](#) unites Cisco with third-party developers of hardware and software to deliver tested interoperable solutions to joint customers. As a Solution Developer, Emerson Network Power shares Cisco's strong commitment to customer service and satisfaction, has completed interoperability verification testing based on criteria set forth by Cisco, and can provide their customers 24 hour, 7 days a week customer support. More information on Emerson Network Power interoperability with Cisco Unified Communications Manager can be found in the [Cisco Technology Partner Catalog](#).

More information about blades and platforms from Emerson Network Power can be found at [www.EmersonNetworkPower.com/EmbeddedComputing](#).

* Interoperability testing is designed to simulate typical customer configurations, and does not replace the need for on-site testing in conjunction with actual implementation.

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