New Software Brings Higher Availability to OpenStack Clouds
Stratus Launches Beta Program to Address Availability in the Cloud

Maynard, MA, November 5, 2013 - Stratus Technologies, Inc., the leading provider of availability solutions, today launched a beta program aimed at improving the reliability of cloud infrastructures. The program will test Stratus' next-generation suite of software solutions that enable always-on clouds based on the OpenStack cloud operating system. **Click to Tweet.**

"Concern over availability is quickly becoming one of the primary obstacles keeping today's applications out of the cloud. The fact is that today's clouds – whether public, private or hybrid – can't guarantee the amount of uptime required for core business applications. We see evidence of this every day with the high-profile cloud outages that litter news and social media sites," said Nigel Dessau, Chief Marketing Officer at Stratus. "Stratus is applying its unique availability expertise to cloud environments with a new suite of software solutions that will provide organizations with all the benefits that cloud computing offers... with less of the risks."

The Cloud Availability Dilemma
Moving applications to the cloud vastly improves agility and economics. However, organizations implementing clouds today are having difficulty moving their applications to the cloud because of concerns over availability. Why? Clouds are architected for scale and elasticity and typically leverage low-cost commodity components. In these environments, components fail. To keep cloud applications up and running, they need to be designed to work around potential failures. For existing applications, that means rewriting code to make them "cloud-ready".

High Availability Clouds with Stratus
With Stratus, organizations will be able to implement always-on cloud infrastructures that:
- Allow easy migration of applications without having to re-write code
- Provide adjustable levels of availability on a per-application basis
- Protect cloud control plane and application workloads from failure
- Leverage the OpenStack open source cloud operating system to avoid technology lock-in

Join the Stratus Beta Program

Stratus is actively seeking organizations to participate in its beta program. Organizations interested in participating in the program can register at go.stratus.com/cloudbeta.

About Stratus Technologies

Stratus Technologies is the leading provider of infrastructure based solutions that keep applications running continuously in today's always-on world. Stratus enables rapid deployment of always-on infrastructures, from enterprise servers to clouds, without any changes to applications. Stratus' flexible solutions – software, platform and services – prevent downtime before it occurs and ensure uninterrupted performance of essential business operations. www.stratus.com.

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