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Oracle(R) Enterprise Manager Extends Management or Cracle VM Server Virtualization

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Provides Complete Top-Down Application Management for Virtual Environments with Unique Business Perspective

REDWOOD SHORES, Calif., March 3 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ --

News Facts

- Continuing to deliver on its top-down approach to application management, Oracle today announced new management capabilities for Oracle(R) VM through the release of Oracle Enterprise Manager 10g Release 5 (10gR5). See related release dated today.
- With the new Oracle VM Management Pack, Oracle Enterprise Manager 10gR5 provides a comprehensive management solution that spans the entire lifecycle of applications and their virtual infrastructure.
- The Oracle VM Management Pack helps customers accelerate the adoption of virtualization, enabling
 them to optimize IT resources, improve hardware utilization, streamline IT processes, and reduce
 costs without adding the complexity and cost associated with multiple management tools.
- Customers can now manage both physical and virtual environments with a comprehensive top-down
 approach that provides a unique business perspective, enabling the understanding of user
 experiences and the business impact of IT issues, in addition to offering the best tools to manage each
 component in the stack individually.

Highlights of the New Oracle VM Management Pack

- Manage virtual environments with an application perspective allows customers to quickly diagnose
 whether the root cause of a problem is in an application component, in a virtual resource, or in a
 physical resource; enabling efficient consolidation and optimization of data center resources through
 virtualization.
- Built-in configuration management enables administrators to easily track application relationships and analyze configuration changes.
- Policy-based management helps reduce the on-going costs of IT compliance with the ability to define company specific policies for virtualization, to enforce configuration best practices and help achieve regulatory compliance
- Automated deployment automates software deployment through Oracle VM Templates for packaged applications, middleware, database, and Oracle Enterprise Linux.
 - ISVs can now streamline deployment of their products and services for virtual environments by providing predefined templates.
- Lifecycle automation spanning test, deployment, patching and maintenance capabilities, including
 automated patching of operating systems and Oracle software running inside the guest virtual
 machines and live migration of guest virtual machines to other servers during server maintenance
 windows. This helps maximize return on investment in a virtualized environment, through simplified
 management across the application lifecycle.
- High availability for virtual infrastructure provides enterprise-class capabilities such as server pooling, automatic load balancing and server failover, helping to ensure business continuity in the virtual environment, usually associated with traditional high-cost physical servers.

Supporting Quotes

"Two of the main roadblocks of customer adoption of virtualization technologies has been the high cost
and complexity of managing virtual environments and a lack of tools to provide an application
perspective," said Richard Sarwal, Oracle senior vice president Product Development. "With added

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- management capabilities for Oracle VM, Oracle Enterprise Manager has taken a major step forward in helping our customers drive down the cost of managing applications in virtual environments."
- "CERN has been searching for a comprehensive virtualization management solution for some time. We recently evaluated Oracle Enterprise Manager's Oracle VM Management Pack and we were impressed with its Virtualization dashboard. It simplifies administrators' jobs by providing an integrated solution for monitoring and administration of virtual servers as well as tracking configuration relationships. We especially liked the ability to provision servers within minutes using templates and live-migrate VMs. These management capabilities can greatly simplify virtual infrastructure management, reduce IT operations overhead, provide cost savings, and reduce risk," said Anton Topurov, Database Fellow, openlab, CERN
- "With the latest additions for Oracle VM deployment and management, Oracle Enterprise Manager will
 enable us to manage both our existing physical environments and new virtualized infrastructure from a
 single console. The virtualized Oracle grid infrastructure will allow us to maximize the use of server
 resources while maintaining high levels of system availability and performance," said April Sims,
 Database Administrator, Southern Utah University.

Supporting Resources

- Join Richard Sarwal, Oracle senior vice president, for a Webcast Tuesday, March 3, 9am Pacific
- · Oracle Enterprise Manager
- Oracle VM Management Pack
- Oracle Management Pack for Linux
- Oracle VM
- Oracle Management Pack for Linux
- Oracle Unbreakable Linux support program

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