

Avvio Networks Introduces A2050 Chassis

Bedford, MA – March 30, 2005 -- Avvio Networks today announced its new A2050 chassis. The A2050 is a 2U six-slot multi-protocol chassis, with carrier class features such as dual power feeds, redundancy, remote management, and hot-swap capability. Its flexible design provides support for 10/100/1000 and 10G Ethernet as well as SONET/SDH up to OC-192/STM-64.

The A2050 chassis supports Avvio Networks' Long Reach technology. This technology has the capability to send a 10Gigabit signal over 200 kilometers of SMF-28 fiber without adding dispersion compensation. The A2050 also supports EDFA modules, eliminating the need for external amplification. In addition, the A2050's many modules include an OC-48 to OC-192 Multiplexer, eight port Gigabit Ethernet to 10Gb Ethernet, DWDM multiplexer, 10Gigabit Repeater, and more.

“Our customers asked us for more flexibility and expandability and, based on our initial feedback, we have exceeded their expectations”, said Leo Goyette, Avvio Networks' CEO and founder, “The A2050 provides our customers with unprecedented flexibility to build their network. The hot swappable modules, redundancy and user-accessible SFP and XFP transceivers combine to create an extremely flexible and powerful platform delivering carrier-class features and reliability.”

One of the most exciting features of the A2050 chassis is the ability to share modules with the A2500 chassis, now in development. The A2500 is a 16 slot, rack mount chassis with the same features as the A2050 chassis. The A2050 chassis first customer ship is expected in June.

The A2050 conforms to applicable ITU and Telcordia standards and can be used with equipment from Cisco (Nasdaq: CSCO), Lucent (NYSE: LU), Alcatel (NYSE: ALA), Ciena (Nasdaq: CIEN), Juniper (Nasdaq: JNPR) and others.

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