



INAP Transforms Its Global Network Through Ciena Collaboration

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INAP will integrate an express high-capacity backbone between three core data centers in New York, Dallas, and San Jose



INAP will launch Metro Ethernet services for increased connectivity and performance in six key markets: Boston, Chicago, Dallas, New York, Phoenix, and the Bay Area

RESTON, Va. and HANOVER, Md., May 21, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Internap Corporation (NASDAQ:INAP), a leading provider of high-performance data center services including colocation, cloud, and network services, has selected Ciena (NYSE:CIEN) to support a multi-phase initiative to enhance INAP's U.S. and international networks.

During the first phase of the initiative, INAP's new *Global Network Services* team re-engineered their existing U.S. infrastructure, while adding an express "core" ring to augment capacity and increase connectivity. Ciena was selected to deliver a variety of platforms to improve INAP's network services portfolio to meet growing customer demand for faster connectivity, while providing scalable bandwidth.

- Ciena's [Coherent WaveLogic](#) technology was selected to deliver high-capacity services across INAP's network, and enable interconnectivity across, and between their top metro markets;
- Ciena's [Waveserver®](#) platform will be deployed to provide additional capacity, programmability, power, and scalability;
- Ciena's [5170 service aggregation switch](#) will allow INAP to automate rapid deployment of new packet-based services; and
- INAP's U.S. backbone will be controlled by Ciena's [Blue Planet Manage, Control, and Plan® \(MCP\)](#) platform which provides software-defined programmability and enables INAP to rapidly offer high-capacity Ethernet services between U.S. locations for the first time.

"We need to evolve as fast as our customers' need for high bandwidth and market connectivity, and it was clear Ciena would enable us to do just that," said Mary Jane Horne, Senior Vice President, INAP Global Network Services. "With Ciena's WaveLogic technology, our data center networks will operate more efficiently, while delivering superior connectivity across our network, and personalizing the experience to our customers."

"As a leader in building and managing IT infrastructures for businesses around the world, INAP needs an adaptable network that can keep up with the rapid pace of technological advancement and growing connectivity demands," said Rebecca Prudhomme, Ciena's Vice President of Portfolio Marketing. "Leveraging Ciena's packet optical innovations, INAP will have access to highly scalable, programmable infrastructure that will reduce their operational costs and enable deployment of Metro Ethernet services."

About INAP

Internap Corporation (NASDAQ:INAP) is a leading provider of high-performance data center services, including colocation, cloud and network. INAP partners with its customers, who range from the Fortune 500 to emerging start-ups, to create secure, scalable and reliable IT infrastructure solutions that meet the customer's unique business requirements. INAP operates in 57 primarily Tier 3 data centers in 21 metropolitan markets and has 98 POPs around the world. INAP has over 1 million gross square feet under lease, with over 500,000 square feet of data center space. For more information, visit www.inap.com.

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