



CloudLink™ Technology Nets AFORE a Canada's Top 10™ Competition Winner

AFORE honored by OCRI Canada's Top 10™ committee for continued excellence, market leadership and innovation in technology for the cloud computing market

Ottawa, Canada; October 19, 2010 – AFORE Solutions, Inc., today announced that the Ottawa Centre for Research and Innovation (OCRI), recognized its cloud computing innovations with the Top 10™ award for leadership and innovation in the Technology category. The annual awards program is coordinated by the OCRI, focuses on economic development, education and research enabling globally competitive Canadian companies.

Canada's Top 10™ companies represent some of Canada's best investment prospects in the life science, cleantech and technology sectors. Chosen by an independent expert panel of Canadian and US venture capitalists, winning companies exhibit the critical qualities necessary for success—an innovative product or service, a strong business case, a driven management team and a strategy to deliver to the marketplace.

AFORE's innovation in cloud computing was recognized by the panel of judges, and in particular, the recently announced CloudLink™ On-ramp to the Cloud™ platform. The CloudLink virtual appliance and management solution is designed to securely optimize and manage enterprise application deployment for private, public and hybrid cloud computing environments. CloudLink is the first software solution to provide an integrated on-ramp to the cloud, combining AES-256 encryption, high performance network optimization, powerful SLA assurance and monitoring and advanced traffic management capabilities in a single solution. Enterprise users can now deploy applications into a VMware vCloud Director™ based infrastructure with the assurance that their information is secure, and fully monitor the operation of the network to ensure their SLA and performance management requirements are met.

"It is an honor to be selected as a Top 10 technology company in the OCRI Awards, especially given the highly competitive nature of this award," said Alex Berlin, president and CEO of AFORE. "We believe that the CloudLink platform is best positioned to securely optimize and manage enterprise application deployment for private, public and hybrid cloud computing environments and this award demonstrates that the market recognizes our unique approach."

About AFORE:

AFORE is a leading provider of cloud networking and Ethernet software solutions. Our unique blend of CloudLink™ virtualization software, ASE3300 networking appliance and InterPort™ Ethernet software solutions enable enterprise, service providers and networking solutions providers to accelerate innovation and deployment of advanced networking applications. For more information on AFORE's award winning products and technology visit: www.aforesolutions.com.

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