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## **STEC Expands the Scope of Enterprise Solid-State Drive Technology to HP's StorageWorks Disk Arrays**

### **STEC Collaborates With HP to Bring Enterprise SSD Technology to Mid-Range Enterprise Storage Systems, Enabling a New Tier of Performance for HP Customers**

SANTA ANA, Calif., June 1, 2009 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- STEC, Inc. (Nasdaq:STEC) today announced that STEC's enterprise-class ZeusIOPS solid-state drives (SSDs) are integrated into the HP StorageWorks Enterprise Virtual Array (EVA) disk array platform, creating optimized storage systems which deliver unprecedented performance and better exploit the advantages of storage virtualization.

"This relationship with HP is the result of extensive collaboration," said Manouch Moshayedi, chairman and chief executive officer of STEC. "Through closely coordinated design and integration activities, STEC has optimized a range of products to meet the unique needs of HP. We are proud to have this close relationship with HP."

The ZeusIOPS SSD product family offers a comprehensive array of options for enterprise system architects. ZeusIOPS SSD provides a wide range of interface options, spanning Fibre Channel to SAS to SATA, as well as the widest range of capacity options, spanning 73GB to 1TB. Fundamental to the ZeusIOPS product family is the proprietary SSD architecture which renders an enterprise-optimized storage device with an unprecedented combination of performance and energy efficiency.

"Customers are looking for ways to grow their business without increasing IT infrastructure costs," said Bob Wilson, vice president, Storage Platforms Group, HP. "Combining the HP EVA with STEC's SSD delivers improved input/output and lower latency, allowing existing storage platforms to handle increased transaction volumes faster and more profitably."

For more information regarding this announcement and other important SSD topics, please visit the company's web site at [www.stec-inc.com/ssd/technology](http://www.stec-inc.com/ssd/technology).

#### About STEC

STEC, Inc., with headquarters in Santa Ana, California and offices around the globe, designs, manufactures and markets high performance storage solutions. The company's product portfolio includes the industry's broadest SSD offerings. For more information, visit the company's web site at <http://www.stec-inc.com/ssd/technology>.

The STEC logo is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=1079>

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