

## Brad Anderson to Lead NetApp Cloud Infrastructure Business Unit

## Accelerating NetApp's leadership role in helping companies build next-generation data centers

SUNNYVALE, Calif., Jan. 17, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- NetApp (NASDAQ:<u>NTAP</u>) today announced the appointment of Brad Anderson as the senior vice president and general manager (GM) of the NetApp Cloud Infrastructure business unit.

NetApp has a significant opportunity to help customers build next-generation data centers with the scale, quality of service and rapid time-to-value that modern applications and software development paradigms require. Reporting to NetApp CEO George Kurian, Anderson will be instrumental in driving the strategy and the execution that are necessary to give customers a framework for their cloud-architected data centers. These data centers can then deliver cloud services for innovative applications in private and service-provider models.

The NetApp Cloud Infrastructure business unit focuses on a portfolio of offerings that help customers build cloud infrastructure, including converged infrastructure (CI) solutions like FlexPod®, hyper converged infrastructure (HCI), NetApp® SolidFire® all-flash arrays, and NetApp StorageGRID® object-based storage.

"Brad understands how to focus an organization to evolve rapidly in response to a dynamic market and has a track record of turning multiple emerging products into multimillion- and billion-dollar businesses," said Kurian. "He brings the leadership experience that we need to both shape direction and lead the company-wide execution that is necessary to further expand our Cloud Infrastructure business.

"Bringing Brad on board is further proof of our commitment to expanding our leadership talent and capabilities. It also demonstrates to the industry our serious commitment to establishing a leadership role in helping customers build their next-generation data centers with our best-in-class converged infrastructure and hyper converged infrastructure solutions," continued Kurian.

"I am excited to join NetApp, a market-leading company that's well positioned to help customers accelerate their digital transformation and unleash the power of their data," said Anderson. "NetApp's unified portfolio of CI and HCI solutions addresses the needs of diverse customers as they build cloud-architected data centers for next-generation applications."

## About Brad Anderson

For the past 20 years, Anderson has been a leader in the enterprise infrastructure market, managing and growing businesses successfully. He was at HP Compaq for nine years as the senior vice president and GM of Industry Standard Servers, leading the \$8 billion x86 server business. He spent seven years as president and GM of Dell's \$12 billion Enterprise Solutions Group, leading servers, storage, networking and software businesses. Most recently he was president and chief operating officer of Gravitant, a cloud service brokerage platform company. Anderson holds a BS degree in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M University and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

## About NetApp

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