## EdgeWare MSS Specifications:

Form Factor: 1U, 2U, 3U 19" Rackmount

Capacities: RAID storage and expansion storage chassis. Each Cutting Edge NAS/iSCSI control head can support up to 72TB (SAS) and 240TB (SATA) respectively. 1 Cutting Edge NAS/iSCSI control head minimum with each configuration

Processor: 2 to 8 Core

Memory: DDRII RAM: Up to 2GB at 800 MHz for Single or Twin CPU; Up to 64GB for Quad CPU

Power: N+1 Hot Swap Redundant up to 750W; Single up to 750W for 1U

Network Connectivity: 2 & 3GbE standard. Upgradeable to 43GbE equivalent

Network Support: TCP/IP, TCP/IP Offload, iSCSI Target, IPsec, UPD/IP, AppleTalk

Storage Connectivity: SAS-to-SAS/SATAII or FC-to-SAS/SATAII storage connectivity. 4Gb/s FC from host to RAID array or 3Gb/s SAS from host to RAID array . 3Gb/s SAS from RAID array to expansion chassis

**RAID** Levels: 0, 1, 5, 6, 50, Hot Spare, Hot Swap, JBOD

Fault Tolerance: Dual host and/or Dual RAID array to provide Active-Active\* or Active-Passive IP Failover redundancies

**Temperature:** 32°F - 104°F / 0°C - 40°C

Humidity: 10% - 85% Non-Condensing

Client Support: Windows, Linux, UNIX, Mac OS and FTP

**Security:** Share/File Level Permissions, Kerberos v5, ADS, NT/W2K ACL's, SSL Support, LDAP. Unix NIS

Data Integrity: IP Failover, Remote Replication, Remote Mirroring, Snapshots, Diskto-Disk, Disk-to-Tape and Disk-to-USB Backup, Hot Spare Drives, and Anti-Virus Support

Management: Web based: IE. Firefox, and Safari, SNMP MIB II, SNMP Trap, Log Review/ Download, Web-Based Updates, Flash Boot

Maintenance: Audible and E-mail Alerts, Storage Monitoring, Enclosure Monitoring, and Factory Default Reset

MSS Configurations							
	NAS Head Size	Processor	RAM (GB)	Network Gigabit Interface Connectivity	Host-to-Disk Array Interface	Disk Array	Supported Storage Capacity
	Space-Saver 1U	2 Cores	2 to 8	2 to 6 GbE	SAS-to-SAS/SATA II or FC-to-SAS/SATAII	Up to 80 Bays Up to 60 Bays	Up to 24TB SAS or Up to 80TB SATAII Up to 18TB SAS or Up to 60TB SATAII Up to 1PB using FC switch
	Power Space-Saver 1U	2 to 8 Cores	2 to 32	2 to 24 GbE	SAS-to-SAS/SATA II or FC-to-SAS/SATAII	Up to 80 Bays Up to 60 Bays	Up to 72TB SAS of Up to 240TB SATAI Up to 72TB SAS of Up to 240TB SATAI Up to 1PB using FC switch
	2U	2 to 8 Cores	2 to 32	2 to 42 GbE	SAS-to-SAS/SATA II or FC-to-SAS/SATAII	Up to 240 Bays SAS or SATA II	Up to 72TB SAS of Up to 240TB SATAI Up to 1PB using FO switch
	3U	8 Cores	8 to 64	3 to 43 GbE	FC-to-SAS/SATAII	Up to 240 Bays SAS or SATA II	Up to 72TB SAS of Up to 240TB SATAI Up to 1PB using FO switch

## Commitment to excellence and customer satisfaction

A commitment to excellence and customer satisfaction are key attributes that drive every facet of our culture – from developing superior products to training to service programs. At Cutting Edge, our staff is attuned to your every need to ensure an outstanding customer experience.

## Enterprise-level service



Cutting Edge service programs offer a range of options such as 24x7x365 service for hardware replacement and around-the-clock telephone technical support. To ensure your installation success, Cutting Edge Professional Services offers phone support or optional on-site assistance with storage planning, system installation, data migration, and best-practices implementation. You can select from pre-packaged service and support engagements or design your own to get the exact level of service you require.





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you the option of mixing and matching low-cost SATA drives and high performance 10k/15k RPM SAS drives to achieve the right balance of performance and cost. Additionally, for the utmost in high availability and data security, MSS combines fully fault tolerant operation with Active-Active\* or Active-Passive IP Failover modes, with no single point of failure.

## EdgeWare 64-Bit NAS/iSCSI OS

The MSS Series is powered by Cutting Edge's 3rd generation field proven EdgeWare™, a fully integrated IP 64-bit storage operating system that provides a storage centric, easy-to-use and easy-tosupport, heterogeneous network file system. EdgeWare offers complete NAS and iSCSI functionality and same time use in a unified storage solution, coupled with best-in-class performance, versatility and security for SAN, LAN and WAN applications. EdgeWare's rich feature set includes built-in remote replication for disk-to-disk/-totape/-to-USB backup, mirroring, multiple snapshot capability, iSCSI target, IP failover, web-based management, RAID 6 support and

built-in security features that make it a strong alternative to expensive Fibre Channel connectivity, with comparable features and performance. EdgeWare affords almost limitless volume sizes, extremely high performance, increased data reliabil-Cutting Edge Networked Storage ity, greater security and increased scalability. ISCSI target efficiency 1825 Gillespie Way, Suite 100 is also improved by supporting multiple iSCSI initiators on different volumes, without sacrificing NAS, CIFS and

NFS performance.

High Performance

Enterprise Features

• Easily Scalable

Utmost Reliability and Flexibility

NAS & iSCSI Functionality

 High Availability with No Single Point of Failure



MSS with EdgeWare NAS and iSCSI functionality provides a cost-effective storage system for deployment in the following applications:

- Data Protection Disk-to-disk, disk- to-tape and disk-to-USB backup.
- Server and Storage Consolidation Link multiple storage systems to servers to achieve better storage utilization. Reduce the number of direct attached storage (DAS) RAID arrays. Connect multiple server configurations to one manageable storage server.
- Data Center Storage Networks -Compatible with applications such as Exchange, Oracle, Sequel, web serving, e-mail or audio and video storage.
- Expansion into Metro and WANs -Centralize corporate data resources in one location for remote backup and replication as data repositories.

MSS Series with EdgeWare
The Cutting Edge MSS delivers optimal performance based on a true 64-bit hardware and software architecture. To accommodate users with minimal or ever growing storage requirements the MSS Series comes with our NAS/iSCSI OS using EdgeWare™ and utilizes the latest in disk drive technologies, including the high performance 10k/15k SAS drives, 750GB SATA II 3 Gb/s RAID edition disk drive and soon to be available 1TB SATA II 3GB/s RAID edition disk drives. Form factors range from 1U up to 3U with capacities up to 72TB using SAS (3U), 240TB using SATAII (3U), and can scale to 1Petabyte via a FC switch. The MSS can also be configured as an all purpose NAS storage server with iSCSI functionality, using EdgeWare, delivering enterprise-class functionality, scalable performance and capacity using either single, dual or quad processors.

TING MSS with EdgeWare Benefits:

Easy-to-Setup. Easy-to-Manage and Support. Superior Operability, Expansion and Reliability. No Single Point of Failure.

# **MSS Series Features and Benefits**

Easy Installation and Operation Easy system management with EdgeWare OS

File sharing across a variety of servers & clients

Multiple network & interface support, including UPnP/WSDL

Exceptional system monitoring and alerts

Guaranteed Performance & Scalability

Enterprise level performance with 64-bit OS NAS/iSCSI combo for increased functionality and efficiency

Single, Dual or Quad CPUs with dedicated memory for high speed access

2 & 3GbE standard. Upgradable to 43GbE interface

SAS-to-SAS/cc SA SAS-to-SAS/SATAII or FC-to-SAS/SATAII storage connectivity MSS can scale up to 72TB using SAS (3U), 240TB using SATAII (3U) and

up to 1 Petabyte using a FC switch

RAID 0, 1, 5, 6 and 50 with hot spare and hot swap

Automated system integrity checks

Reliability and Availability Single or Dual redundant power supplies, hot spare drives with anti-virus support

Active-Active\* or Active-Passive IP Failover with mirrored systems Hardware RAID with battery backup with cached write protection and secondary power loss support

Absolute Security

Error recovery levels 1 & 2

IPsec for increased internet security, LDAP Client and Access Control List

Block level storage for increased security and transfer rate Multiple Root Control Services for conditional access

Extensive monitoring and alerts with email notification

Multiple snapshots for fast backup and data retrieval Remote replication directly to disk for improved business continuance

Remote mirroring for improved network failover and redundancy

Disk-to-disk, disk-to-tape and disk-to-USB backup modes

## Easy Installation and Operation 🔀

Easy Backup & Recovery

MSS with EdgeWare is easy-to-install, easy-to-manage and easy-to-support. Custom MSS hardware and EdgeWare's powerful 64-bit OS integrates NAS and iSCSI functionality that affords file sharing across a variety of servers and clients. multi-network interface and protocol support, and outstanding system management - consolidating storage easily and securely has never been easier.

### UPnP/WSDL Server

MSS uses Simple Object Access Control (SOAP) to leverage standard management formats (XML) and protocols (HTTPS) to configure multiple servers.

MSS permits user and group authentication to an LDAP server for all network services and even the web-based administration. This allows other EdgeWare enabled MSS servers to coexist in an existing LDAP management scheme.

### Network Access Gateway

With remote management, the EdgeWare OS can manage multiple NAS systems - providing accessibility to manage large terabyte volumes of data stored in Enterprise networks.

# **Guaranteed Performance**

Each MSS system integrates true 64-bit OS capability with the highest performing storage connectivity hardware and SATA/SAS disk components available, guaranteeing extreme performance even under heavy load conditions.

### Storage Connectivity

Each MSS system offers SAS-to-SAS/SATAII or FC-to-SAS/SATAII storage connectivity, bringing the perfect balance between performance and capacity.



iSCSI Target Each MSS with EdgeWare solution

has the ability to transport data across networks using the iSCSI protocol. The EdgeWare enhanced MSS can act as an iSCSI target using the same hardware platform - allowing MSS systems to be a target for remote replication and mirroring operations.

### **NIC Bonding**

With NIC bonding, the bandwidth of two NIC cards can be aggregated and converted into one, increasing the data transfer capacity and speed.

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## Reliability and Availability

MSS systems are built to last. Robust and field proven chassis, hardware or software RAID, dual redundant power supplies (except some 1U models), fans and hot spare drives with anti-virus support coupled with automated system integrity checks are fully integrated and tested in each system before shipment – guaranteeing the pinnacle in reliabili ty and uptime. Multiple MSS units can be paired via a switch to offer the utmost in high availability with Active-Active\* and Active-Passive IP failover functionality – ensuring no single point of failure.

#### Hardware & Software RAID Support

The EdgeWare based MSS offers integrated support for leading manufacturer's RAID controllers as well as driver support for most other hardware RAID controllers that support SATA, SAS, SCSI and Fibre HDD's. In addition, our EdgeWare MSS OS provides software RAID 0, 1, 10, 5, 6, bringing the best balance between performance and data security.

Hardware RAID controllers have up to 72 hour battery backup support and up to 256MB of cached memory, along with secondary power loss support that safeguards data against on-site power interrupts and during routine system power up – ensuring the utmost in system reliability and data availability.

### IP Failover (Active-Passive or Active-Active\* failover)

All MSS solutions offer IP Failover between two mirrored systems – ensuring no single point of failure. For maximum availability, two EdgeWare based servers can share the same virtual IP address over the network. If one server goes offline, then the other server can pick up network activity without causing interruption.

#### Fault Tolerance

The EdeWare MSS storage systems offer Dual Host and/or Dual RAID Array to provide Active-Active\* or Active-Passive IP failover for maximum data protection that created no sinale point of failure.

# **Absolute Security**

### System Monitoring & Alerts

The advanced monitoring system notifies network administrators on health disk status, system temperature, RAID status, and spare drives on their systems. EdgeWare OS also generates logs that record monitoring activity on a timely basis.

### **Access Control List**

The Access Control List (ACL) allows administrators to restrict user rights and access policies through the network. The ACL feature is convenient for file share administration and remote network management.

### Error Recovery Levels 1 & 2

EdgeWare Error Recovery Level 1 (ER1) monitors information packets that are sent over the network from the iSCSI initiator to the iSCSI target. Error Level Recovery 1 also supervises network communication and recovers lost data during trans-

EdgeWare Error Recovery Level 2 (ER2) is used when there are multiple network connections. Error Recovery Level 2 inspects the vitality of the network connection and if a connection goes offline, then the EdgeWare OS searches for an operational connection and redirects all network traffic.



### **Journaling System**

EdaeWare enabled MSS storage systems give users the choice of 3 journaling systems that are optimized for customer applications and provide data reliability and redundancy.

#### Log and System Function

The log functionality of the EdgeWare enabled MSS tracks user activity by groups, individual users, and by level of administration and it can also track module activities. EdgeWare MSS systems offer tracking logs by time line which includes events generated for one day and between specified times. System logs can be viewed and configured through the user interface or by remote log setup. Logs can be assigned to multiple volumes and can be copied immediately, hourly, or daily. These logs provide a wealth of information for intruder detection, security audits and technical

# Easy Backup and Recovery 🔀

### **Snapshots**

The EdgeWare snapshot feature captures data from a single point-in-time with the capability to aggregate multiple snapshots in sequence which can be used for backup or data retrieval purposes

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The EdgeWare OS scheduling snapshot feature, gives users the ability to capture data from a point-in-time and has the functionality to aggregate multiple snapshots sequentially which can be used for backup or data retrieval purposes

#### Remote Mirroring

With Remote Mirroring, each EdgeWare enabled MSS allows real time block device replication of logical volumes. This allows network failover between two systems, where two volumes are mirrored to provide some of the best redundancy possible.

### Remote Replication

With the EdgeWare enabled MSS Remote Replication feature, organizations can improve their business continuation model by backing up directly to disk. This shortens their backup window while vastly improving TCO. This allows both public and private organizations that comply with federal regulations to eliminate the traditional form of backup; transferring data into tape, which is time consuming, gener ates multiple tape copies, and often leaves sensitive infor-