ADARA and CALIENT are now demonstrating at The Optical Fiber Communication (OFC) Conference,

March 22nd – 24th.

At the OFC Conference we are very proud to receive The Lightwave 2016 Innovation Review Award as a High Score Recipient.

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Lightwave Innovation Award Recognizes ADARA for Breakthrough Product ADARA CALIENT SDN-Transport Packet Optical Integration Solution for Telco Wide Area Networks receives Lightwave 2016 Innovation High Score

The CALIENT ADARA SDN Transport Packet Optical Integration (SDN-TPOI), the ADARA and CALIENT Technologies' converged solution for telco wide area networks, received the 2016 Lightwave Innovation Award.

The breakthrough cloud computing and networking solution, which combines SDN with advanced packet and optical networking technologies, achieved a <u>Lightwave Innovations</u> <u>Reviews</u> Elite Score of 4.5 out of 5 for "superb product that sets new standard for performance and provides groundbreaking and new technical milestones."

Presented annually by Lightwave, the Lightwave Innovation Award distinguishes top products and solutions available within the optical networking industry as determined by a stellar panel of third-party judges. Judges include industry executives and analysts from a wide variety of service providers, technology developers, industry analysts and journalists.

"On behalf of the Lightwave Innovation Reviews, I would like to congratulate ADARA Networks and CALIENT Technologies on their 4.5 score," said Lightwave Group Publisher Rob Stuehrk. "This competitive, unbiased program celebrates the most original and innovative products in the optical networking industry. We are pleased to celebrate the CALIENT ADARA SDN-TPOI solution for its meaningful contribution to the optical networking industry."

CALIENT ADARA SDN-TPOI SOLUTION

The CALIENT ADARA SDN-TPOI solution combines CALIENT S-Series optical circuit switches and ADARA Axis switches deployed on the edges of wide area networks under the control of ADARA's CloudFabric Cloud Management Platform and SKY Controller. The production-ready solution can be deployed across real-world telco wide area networks consisting of multiple vendors and network domains (metro, regional, long haul) and legacy networks. Customer experience is improved exponentially as customers self-provision services through portals and take advantage of greater optical bandwidth in the data center, wide area network and optical fiber to customer premises. Tier 1 carriers have estimated 37% to 50% savings in core router network CAPEX and even higher OPEX savings by allowing IP in SDN-TPOI to drive the optimization of optical transport networks.

"The CALIENT ADARA SDN-TPOI solution addresses the market-wide movement to an industry dominated by optical networking, managed by SDN. It represents an industry first and a significant advance in state-of-the-art SDN," said Eric Johnson, Chairman and CEO, ADARA Networks. "The Lightwave Innovation Award score of 4.5 recognizes the powerful capability of the CALIENT ADARA SD-TPOI solution to deliver a fully dynamic, incrementally deployable SDN solution that eliminates implementation risk and increases ROI."

About the 2016 Lightwave Innovation Reviews

The Lightwave Innovation Reviews is in its third year of recognizing and celebrating the industry's most unique products and solutions that help optical communications professionals worldwide drive improvements and innovation in optical technology. Executives from Verizon, LightCounting Market Research, Cisco, Lumentum and Huawei were among the third-party judges for the 2016 Innovation Reviews. Criteria used in the Innovation Awards rankings include, first and foremost, unique technology or application.

About ADARA Networks

ADARA Networks is an industry leading developer of production-ready and vendor-neutral Software Defined Networking (SDN), Virtual Computing and Networking solutions. ADARA SDN is a complete end-to-end solution including Network Functions Virtualization, WAN optimization, network monitoring, management and configuration, security, services/infrastructure choreography and network orchestration. By enabling more flexible, secure and high performing IT infrastructure environments, ADARA SDN empowers enterprise customers to develop new revenue streams, increase bottom line and net profits and return on investment (ROI). For more information, please visit ADARA's website.

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