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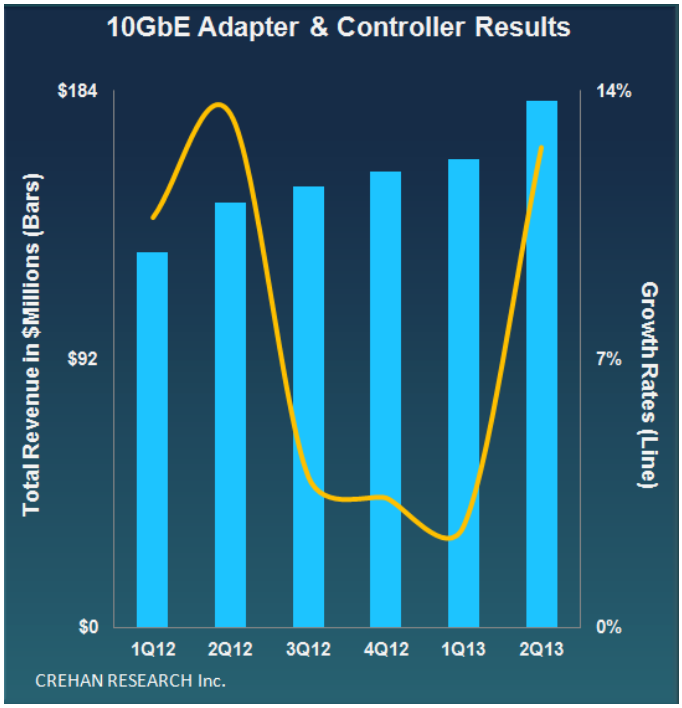
10-Gigabit Ethernet Returns to Strong Growth, According to Crehan Research

Server Adapters and Controllers Deliver Double-Digit Revenue and Shipment Increase

SAN FRANCISCO, CA, August 20, 2013 — According to the recently published Server-Class Adapter & LAN-on-Motherboard (LOM) Report from Crehan Research, 10-Gigabit Ethernet (10GbE) has returned to strong growth, posting double-digit increases in both revenues and shipments for the second quarter of 2013 (see accompanying figure). The report shows that the 10GbE growth was broad-based, with both the adapter card and LOM/controller segments posting increases.



"The demand for high-speed server networking rebounded strongly, with both enterprise and public cloud/web-scale data center customers upgrading existing networks as well as building out new networks to handle increased traffic demands and application workloads," said Seamus Crehan, president of Crehan Research. "The strong rebound propelled the 10GbE market to new highs," he added.

In parallel with the strong 10GbE growth seen in the server-class adapter and LOM market, Crehan anticipates that the data center switch market will also post robust results on the strength of record 10GbE deployments. "The recent introduction of numerous software-defined 40GbE- and 100GbE-capable data center switches for core and aggregation deployments seems to be giving customers more comfort in deploying 10GbE server-access switches," he said.

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