Strong Rebound for Data Center Ethernet Switch Market, Reports Crehan Research

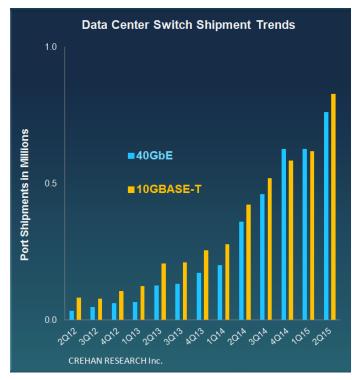
Robust Growth from Forty Gigabit Ethernet and 10GBASE-T

SAN FRANCISCO, CA, August 31, 2015 — The data center Ethernet switch market posted strong growth in the second quarter of 2015, according to a recent report from <u>Crehan Research Inc.</u> The firm reported that revenues and shipments both grew by more than 10 percent, helped by strong increases from

40 gigabit Ethernet (40GbE) and 10GBASE-T (10 gigabit-over-copper) – see accompanying figure.

"We continue to see more 40GbE data center switch deployments, especially from the hyper-scale cloud market segment," said Seamus Crehan, president of Crehan Research. "At the same time, we are also seeing strong adoption of 10GBASE-T from both the enterprise and tier-2 cloud service provider segments," he added.

Besides the robust performance of 40GbE and 10GBASE-T, Crehan's 2Q15 data center switch report includes these notable results:



- HP Networking saw the strongest quarter-over-quarter data center Ethernet switch revenue growth, while Arista Networks saw the strongest year-over-year growth.
- Cisco maintained its market share leadership position, accounting for almost 60% of total data center Ethernet Switch revenue.
- While all data center Ethernet switch types saw strong shipment growth in 2Q15, the Modular segment had the largest increase.
- Infiniband switch shipments nearly doubled year-over-year, resulting in a record quarter.
- In contrast with Ethernet and Infiniband, Fibre Channel switch revenue and shipments declined, both sequentially and year-over-year.

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Although 40GbE data center switching is currently growing at a rapid rate, with shipments more than doubling year-over-year, Crehan's last long-range forecast report noted that the impending arrival of low-priced 100GbE-capable data center switches could significantly slow down this growth, especially in the hyper-scale cloud segment.

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