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SCO Unveils SCO Linux 4, Powered by UnitedLinux

Stable, Reliable Linux Platform Backed with Guaranteed Support from Trusted Operating System Vendor

LAS VEGAS—Comdex—November 19, 2002—The SCO® Group (SCO)(Nasdaq: SCOX), in coordination with the UnitedLinux 1.0 launch at Comdex, today announced the release of SCO Linux 4.0, powered by UnitedLinux. SCO Linux 4.0 is a high-quality Linux operating system designed for mission-critical business applications, with guaranteed stability, security and worldwide support from SCO. SCO Linux 4.0 is based on UnitedLinux 1.0, the core standards-based Linux operating system co-developed in an industry initiative to streamline Linux development and certification around a global, uniform distribution of Linux. SCO Linux 4.0, powered by UnitedLinux provides customers with the base UnitedLinux operating system as well as the additional software, support and services from SCO that customers need to successfully run Linux in business environments.

"SCO understands that for any operating system to be commercially viable, especially Linux, it needs a well-defined roadmap from a trusted supplier, who is committed to and capable of supporting it," said Andy Nagle, director of SCO Linux products. "SCO is uniquely qualified to make the UnitedLinux platform viable for business because of its proven track record in successfully building, deploying and supporting stable operating platforms for more than 23 years. SCO Linux 4.0 is built upon SCO's traditional combination of top OS platform technology, and support and service features that customers can rely on to support critical business environments."

"Because Linux is built on ideas and components from so many parties and is so widely distributed, the issue of support and reliability is still a key concern of customer and vendors," said Judy Chavis, worldwide Linux director, HP industry standard servers. "Built on a secure set of unified LSB compliant standards by UnitedLinux and with full support offerings from SCO, SCO 4.0 offers our customers another strong Linux platform choice for their worldwide Linux deployments."

"For hardware and software vendors, it has become an increasingly difficult task to certify their products across the many distributions of Linux. SCO Linux 4.0, powered by UnitedLinux can help vendors overcome that obstacle by providing widespread application support across the base of UnitedLinux distributions," said Bill Claybrook, Research Director for Linux and Unix at Aberdeen Group. "This in turn benefits IT departments by providing them with greater choice and support as they deploy Linux."

SCO Linux 4.0 is an ideal platform to support small to medium businesses and replicated branch sites such as retail store operations, hotel chains and banks. In these environments, operational efficiency and flexibility to respond to new customer demands are essential. SCO Linux 4.0 provides these qualities with the support and experience of a trusted supplier.

SCO Linux 4.0 Features and Support

SCO Linux 4.0, powered by UnitedLinux adds several features and support services:

- As an enterprise-class, industry-standard Linux operating system, UnitedLinux provides a *Single, Uniform Platform* for application development, certification and deployment, and allows Linux vendors, Independent Software Vendors (ISVs) and Independent Hardware Vendors (IHVs) to support a single Linux offering rather than many different versions. SCO offers certification services that will be accepted as support across all distributions of the "powered by UnitedLinux" family.
- *Stability* with SCO's commitment to operating system quality and continuous operating system uptime, worldwide support and 12-18 month release cycles. This stable, predictable maintenance and support schedule makes SCO Linux 4.0 a smart choice for business IT needs.
- *Award-winning Support Services* are available from SCO for tasks including install, configuration support and 24x7 emergency response. SCO has a presence in more than 82 countries and can provide local language support worldwide. SCO's dedicated engineering services organization provides experienced support for UNIX, all other Linux platforms powered by UnitedLinux, as well as all RPM-based Linux distributions.
- *Maintenance* is guaranteed with every copy of SCO Linux 4.0. Each release of SCO Linux will be maintained for a minimum of two years, and SCO has a dedicated team of escalations engineers to work on fixes for the UnitedLinux platform. Maintenance includes notification of security patches and

other critical upgrade information.

- *Customized Linux Solutions* are available through SCO's channel of more than 16,000 resellers. SCO's partners and resellers are willing to partner with OEMs to sell SCO-based solutions. SCO can incorporate the support of UnitedLinux into existing Engineering Services agreements providing a one-stop-shop for OEM customers requiring representation with SCO and the UnitedLinux development teams.
- *Certified Training* on UnitedLinux is available from SCO and SCO authorized education partners using award-winning SCO education materials.

To read what the industry is saying about SCO Linux, please visit www.sco.com/company/press/quotes/scolinux.html.

Pricing and Availability

SCO Linux 4.0 is available today in four different editions:

SCO Linux 4.0 Server, powered by UnitedLinux **Base** Edition--\$599

- Includes SCO Update maintenance service

SCO Linux 4.0 Server, powered by UnitedLinux **Classic** Edition--\$699

- Includes unlimited installation and configuration technical support incidents via phone, Web or email for one year; SCO Update Service; five business hour response; designated technical support contacts; and Online Service Manager which includes access to current product technical articles and patches, ability to submit service requests online, and online support activity and status

SCO Linux 4.0 Server, powered by UnitedLinux **Business** Edition--\$1249

- Includes unlimited technical support incidents via phone, Web or email for one year; SCO Update Service; three business hour response; designated technical support contacts; Online Service Manager (same access as Classic Edition)

SCO Linux 4.0 Server, powered by UnitedLinux **Enterprise** Edition--\$2199

- Includes unlimited technical support incidents via phone, Web or email for one year; SCO Update Service; one business hour response during regular business hours; designated technical support contacts; 24x7 after-hours emergency service telephone support; Administrative Account Manager; Office Service Manager (same access as Classic Edition)

About SCO

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