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Kaminario named "Cool Vendor" in Storage by Leading Industry Analyst Firm

NEWTON, Mass. — May 2, 2011 — Kaminario, a leading provider of high performance SSD storage, today announced it has been named by Gartner as one of its "Cool Vendors" in their 2011 Cool Vendors in Storage Technologies report. Gartner describes the report as "designed to highlight interesting, new and innovative vendors, products and services." Highlighted in the report are storage vendors that Gartner states "can assist organizations in meeting their data center modernization and cost containment initiatives."

The Kaminario K2, based on its unique Scale-out Performance Storage Architecture (SPEAR), is a fundamentally new and better way to store and retrieve performance-sensitive data. Kaminario SPEAR combines off-the-shelf blade servers, SSD media and the revolutionary SPEAR Storage Operating System to create a blazingly fast, highly available and easy-to-deploy distributed storage grid appliance.

"We're honored that Gartner recognizes the unique value that Kaminario brings to enterprises," said Dani Golan, co-founder and CEO of Kaminario. "Performance and high availability are two of the most critical requirements of the data center, and the K2 delivers both without the complexity and cost of other solutions."

The Kaminario K2 is available in models that enable businesses and organizations of all sizes to take advantage of the two- to 25-times greater performance for their I/O-intensive applications, such as OLTP and databases including Oracle, Microsoft SQL Server and Sybase. Kaminario's innovative SPEAR Operating System enables flexible scaling of the K2's performance and/or capacity. The Kaminario K2 is available at an entry-level price of \$50,000, with capacity that scales to 12 TBs.

About Kaminario

Kaminario K2 high performance SSD storage eliminates I/O bottlenecks to accelerate critical business applications. Kaminario uses off-the-shelf blade servers and SSD media to create a blazingly fast, highly available and easy-to-deploy distributed storage grid appliance. Driven by Kaminario's innovative SPEAR, the K2 supports millions of IOPS, tens of GB/s of throughput and extremely low latency — all without compromising on high availability. The SPEAR Storage Operating System contains Automated Data Distribution™ and Intelligent Parallel I/O Processing™ that deliver record-breaking read and write performance, eliminating hot spots and bottlenecks automatically. Kaminario is a fundamentally new and better way to store and retrieve performance-sensitive data. Kaminario is located in Newton, Mass.

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About Gartner's Cool Vendors Selection Process

Gartner's listing does not constitute an exhaustive list of vendors in any given technology area, but rather is designed to highlight interesting, new and innovative vendors, products and services. Gartner disclaims all warranties, expressed or implied, with respect to this research, including any warranties of merchantability or fitness of a particular purpose.

Gartner defines a cool vendor as a company that offers technologies or solutions that are: Innovative, enable users to do things they couldn't do before; Impactful, have, or will have, business impact (not just technology for the sake of technology); Intriguing, have caught Gartner's interest or curiosity in approximately the past six months.

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