F5 Honors 2013 UNITYTM Partners of the Year

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Awards recognize excellence in partner performance and customer service

SEATTLE--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- F5 Networks (NASDAQ:FFIV) announced today its 2013 UNITY Partners of the Year award winners for the Americas. These awards honor top channel partners that show exemplary performance in sales engagement, customer service, and technical acumen.

"In 2013 we saw continued traction in our core business of Application Delivery Networking, and we've also seen tremendous growth in our newer offerings—especially those around security," said Keith McManigal, RVP of Channel Sales for the Americas at F5. "Our UNITY partners, with their dedication to identifying and addressing customer needs, were an integral part of this success. F5 thanks and congratulates our 2013 Partners of the Year. With the roll out of the new F5 Synthesis framework—combining high performance services fabric with intelligent services orchestration and simplified business models—we're looking forward to growing these successful partnerships in 2014 as well."

FishNet Security has been named the 2013 UNITY Partner of the Year based on superior performance throughout the year and for general excellence in sales engagement and customer satisfaction.

"Earning this award is the product of over 12 years of mutual investment and the hard work of many people on both sides," said Rich Fennessy, CEO, FishNet Security. "As a result, F5 is one of our largest partners, and our team has openly embraced their full suite of products including traffic, policy, and security management solutions. We are honored to receive this award."

In addition to Partner of the Year, F5 is proud to announce seven other 2013 partner awards for performance throughout the Americas:

- UNITY Security Partner of the Year: CDW
- UNITY Application Delivery Partner of the Year: Accuvant
- UNITY Distributor of the Year: Ingram Micro
- UNITY Federal Partner of the Year: GuidePoint Security
- UNITY Growth Partner of the Year: Nexus
- UNITY Canadian Partner of the Year: Scalar Decisions
- UNITY Latin America Partner of the Year: Arkavia Networks

F5 Agility 2014

These award-winning partners will be recognized in person at Agility, F5's invitation-only technology summit for partners and customers. This year's Agility will be held August 4–6 in New York, N.Y. Free to F5 customers and partners, the event offers in-depth technology and business presentations as well as technical workshops focused on F5 solutions.

About F5

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