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## CIARA TECHNOLOGIES IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF THE NEW INTEL® XEON™ PROCESSOR 3.20 GHZ WITH 2 MB CACHE IN ITS VXPRO SERVER PRODUCT LINE

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Montreal, Quebec, Canada (February 18, 2004) — Ciara Technologies announced today a new solution using the Intel® Xeon™ processor 3.20 GHz with 2 MB cache on the **VXPRO** server product line. Ciara Technologies versatile **VXPRO** servers, based on the Intel® Xeon™ processors, are designed to deliver optimum business value for internet applications, mail servers and small business and departmental data.

The Ciara Technologies VXPRO servers seamlessly integrate the Intel® Xeon™ processor 3.20 GHz with 2 MB cache and Intel® server boards or Enterprise blades to provide the performance, scalability and manageability required for today's server demands. The Ciara Technologies **VXPRO** servers can feature multiple power supplies and hard drive configurations along with support for hot-swap redundant cooling providing the stability and dependability that businesses need in their servers.

There is always a Ciara Technologies **VXPRO** server, **VXRack**™ Beowulf Cluster system or **VXStor** storage appliance that can be tailored to meet the customer needs. Ciara Technologies can add the latest operating system as well as the latest digital peripherals to the system to provide users with a computing experience that fits their needs. "The Intel® Xeon™ processor 3.20 GHz with 2 MB cache and the Ciara Technologies **VXPRO** servers offer high reliability and dependability features to help keep your business-critical applications up and running with less downtime. This means fewer interruptions to your productivity, revenues, and customer goodwill," said Marc Leclaire, Product Manager, Storage and Server Solutions, at Ciara Technologies.

### About Ciara Technologies:

Ciara Technologies designs, develops, manufactures, markets, services, and supports a variety of computer systems. These computer systems include personal computers, graphic workstations, network servers, network storage products and cluster systems. We are proud to be recognized by Intel as an "Intel Premier Provider". The growth of Ciara enabled us in February 2003, to move to an ultra-modern plant of 576,000 sq ft, with the capability of producing more than 300,000 units per year. We are now the largest Canadian manufacturer of personal computers.

For additional information visit the company's website at [www.ciara-tech.com](http://www.ciara-tech.com)

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