Arista Favored in ITC Initial Determination on Two of Four Features

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SANTA CLARA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Arista Networks (NYSE:ANET) today announced its response to the Initial Determination (ID) made by the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) today in International Trade Commission (ITC) Investigation No. 337-TA-944. After Cisco Systems asserted six patents in the '944 investigation, Cisco dropped one patent and five remaining patents were asserted against four different features within Arista's software, Extensible Operating System (EOS). In his ID, Judge Shaw found that Arista did not infringe two of the five patents thus clearing two of the four accused features.

"Our primary focus is the continued supply of products to our customers. We respect the administrative process and the tireless work of the ALJ in this preliminary decision. We strongly believe that we have not infringed any of the patents in the investigation and look forward to the final determination of the full commission in June 2016," said Marc Taxay, Vice President, General Counsel of Arista Networks.

Cisco filed the ITC complaint against Arista on December 19, 2014. This is the first initial determination after a hearing that occurred in September of 2015 in Washington, DC. While still subject to review, Arista intends to fully address the infringement allegations with a new release of EOS available for software download in Q2 2016.

About Arista

Arista Networks was founded to pioneer and deliver software-driven cloud networking solutions for large data center storage and computing environments. Arista's award-winning platforms, ranging in Ethernet speeds from 10 to 100 gigabits per second, redefine scalability, agility and resilience. Arista has shipped more than five million cloud networking ports worldwide with CloudVision and EOS, an advanced network operating system. Committed to open standards, Arista is a founding member of the 25/50GbE consortium. Arista Networks products are available worldwide directly and through partners.

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This press release contains “forward-looking statements” including, but not limited to, statements regarding our ability to address the infringement allegations asserted in the ITC through a new release of our software and our ability to continue to provide products to our customers. All statements other than statements of historical fact are statements that could be deemed forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of uncertainties and risks that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements including: Arista Network’s ability to obtain a determination that alternative product implementations are not covered by remedial orders and other risks and uncertainties set forth in our filings with the SEC available on Arista Network's website at **www.arista.com** and the SEC's website at **www.sec.gov**. Arista disclaims any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events that occur or circumstances that exist after the date on which they were made.

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