



CloudOpt Announces New File Transfer Acceleration Capability

WAN Optimization Solution Supports Faster Active File Transfer Protocol (FTP) Transfers

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CloudOpt™, experts in WAN optimization for the cloud, today announced a new release of Speed-as-a-Service™ that supports Active FTP. Speed-as-a-Service is the innovative service that delivers the most cost effective and easy to use data acceleration solution for the cloud. Helping companies reduce data transfer times and costs by up to 90%, Speed-as-a-Service dramatically accelerates the movement of data to or from Amazon Web Services (AWS), Windows Azure and Google Compute Engine.

FTP remains one of the easiest and most popular file transfer methods in use today. Speed-as-a-Service now significantly accelerates FTP sessions with popular clients such as the Windows command line client, Cyberduck, FileZilla, SmartFTP, and CuteFTP in their default configurations. In addition to the new support for active mode FTP, passive mode continues to be fully supported, as it always has been. Speed-as-a-Service automatically encrypts all data transfers which improves the security of using FTP.

Deployable in minutes, Speed-as-a-Service enables users to significantly enhance cloud application access and data movement. By reducing the amount of data transferred, bandwidth charges are significantly reduced. Gigabytes of data can now be moved to/from popular public clouds including AWS, Windows Azure and Google Compute Engine at a fraction of the cost and time that users are experiencing today. Delivered as a service, costly and complex hardware or software appliances are no longer necessary.

Accelerating large transfers of data into and out of the cloud, Speed-as-a-Service is an ideal solution for:

- Uploading large files to the cloud for big data analytics
- Full daily backups to the cloud

- Archiving data in the cloud
- Achieving near real time replication of databases across regions
- Maintaining response times when moving applications to the cloud
- Reducing bandwidth charges

Speed-as-a-Service is highly secure. All communications are encrypted thereby eliminating the need for a separate VPN. Speed-as-a-Service can also work with a user's existing VPN. CloudOpt's new release of Speed-as-a-Service also eliminates the recently reported "Shellshock" vulnerability.

"FTP is a widely used workhorse for moving large files. Now CloudOpt significantly increases the speed and security for all users of this popular file transfer utility," said David Burow, CEO of CloudOpt.

CloudOpt is offering users a free 15-day trial. This free trial can be accessed at www.cloudopt.com.

About Speed-as-a-Service

Requiring no networking expertise, Speed-as-a-Service is accessed using an easy to install Windows or Linux client. The CloudOpt client intercepts data destined for addresses in supported clouds; establishes a secure and encrypted connection to the Speed-as-a-Service network in the requested region; applies compression, deduplication, and protocol optimizations; and then delivers the data to its original destination within the cloud. Speed-as-a-Service remembers what data has been sent and does not resend data in subsequent transfers, which can result in over 90% improvement in transfer times.

About CloudOpt

Dedicated to making the power of cloud computing accessible to organizations everywhere, CloudOpt's Speed-as-a-Service™ offers businesses superior performance, ease of use and the most cost effective solution for accelerating data movement to and from the cloud. With operations in the Silicon Valley, Seattle and Belfast, Northern Ireland, CloudOpt's Speed-as-a-Service™ is available on Amazon Web Services, Windows Azure and Google Compute Engine and can be deployed on other IaaS clouds or in on- premise data centers.

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