IBM posts leadership MMB3 benchmark score for Microsoft Exchange Server 2003

December 29, 2004 ... IBM® has posted a leadership score for the Microsoft® Exchange MAPI Messaging Benchmark 3 (MMB3). The IBM @server® xSeries® 365, a 4-way, rack-optimized server, achieved an MMB3 score of 9,300. The x365 achieved this score using the Intel® Xeon™ processor at 3.0GHz with a 4MB L3 cache, 4GB of memory, and Microsoft Windows® Server 2003 Enterprise Edition.

The x365 server's MMB3 score is the highest achieved to date and surpasses the MMB3 score of 9,000 achieved by the HP ProLiant DL585 G2, which used four AMD Opteron model 850 processors at 2.4GHz with 1MB L2 cache, 4GB of memory and ran Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Enterprise Edition.

MAPI Messaging Benchmark 3 is the benchmarking standard for measuring the performance and scalability of computers running Exchange Server 2003. MMB3 evaluates the messaging performance of a server by measuring how it scales up when adding concurrent load that is modeled after typical corporate e-mail use. An operating environment with higher MMB3 results than another is able to hold more users per server, although the exact number is not the MMB3 score.

For a complete list of published results, visit: www.microsoft.com/exchange/evaluation/performance/

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