IBM posts leadership MMB3 benchmark score for Microsoft Exchange Server 2003

June 17, 2005 ... IBM® has posted a leadership score for the Microsoft® Exchange MAPI Messaging Benchmark 3 (MMB3). The IBM @server® xSeries® 366, a 4-way, rack-optimized server, achieved an MMB3 score of 10,600. The x366 achieved this score using the 64-bit Intel® Xeon™ processor at 3.66GHz with a 1MB L2 cache and Microsoft Windows® Server 2003 Enterprise Edition.

The x366 server's MMB3 score is the highest achieved to date and surpasses the MMB3 score of 10,520 MMB3 achieved by the HP ProLiant DL580 G3, which used four Intel Xeon processors at 3.33GHz with an 8MB L3 cache. The x366 server's result also easily beats the score of 10,200 achieved by the HP ProLiant DL585, which used four AMD Opteron processors at 2.6GHz with 1MB L2 cache.

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/

Results referenced are current as of June 17, 2005.

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