

ToutVirtual Sets New Standard for Virtualization Management with Free VirtuallQ 525

New management software supports multiple virtualization platforms with unified monitoring, controls, and reports

Carlsbad, California – July 11, 2006 – ToutVirtual, an emerging leader in management software for virtual computing infrastructures, today announced VirtuallQ 525 software that supports a variety of policy-based and automated management functions for VMware GSX Server, VMware Server, VMware ESX Server, VMware Player, VMware Workstation, and open-source Xen. VirtuallQ 525 software is currently being made available as freeware configured to manage up to 5 CPUs or 25 virtual machines.

VirtuallQ 525 is a centralized Web console with a virtual software appliance that provides IT administrators with an unprecedented closed-loop, policy-based system for host and virtual machine management. The software provides visibility, control, and reporting options to automate the successful deployment of enterprise-wide virtualization — from pilot to production. ToutVirtual's VirtuallQ 525 is a freeware offering configured to support up to 5 CPUs or 25 virtual machines. To download a free copy of ToutVirtual VirtuallQ 525, please visit <http://www.toutvirtual.com/downloads/downloads.php>

According to Tim Grieser, program vice president for system management software at analyst firm IDC, "The rapid spread of virtualization on Intel architecture platforms is increasing the need for software tools to effectively manage these environments. Multi-function tools that can manage across a variety of environments, such as VirtuallQ from ToutVirtual, are increasingly needed by IT to monitor and control their virtualized resources." Grieser added, "This type of software provides leverage so that IT can efficiently manage the increasing complexity of virtualized infrastructures and virtual machines."

VirtuallQ 525 is the industry's first free and ready-to-run virtual appliance for monitoring and controlling the entire virtualization management stack. It is easy to deploy, supports multiple virtual platforms under one console, provides event-based alerting, and brings virtual infrastructure management to a new level of simplicity. This solution enables IT staff to identify problems quickly with increased IT productivity.

While other products simply end with the deployment of a one-vendor virtual environment and provide either no management or single-node-only

management capabilities, VirtuallQ 525 leapfrogs to allow IT administrators to automate and fine-tune heterogeneous virtual environments using business-policy configurations, visual resource usage correlations (CPU, memory, multiple hosts, multiple virtual machines), alarms, reports and more.

VirtuallQ 525 provides the user four areas from which to manage the entire virtual environment: Dashboard, Manage, Reports, and Configurations. The overall Web portal navigation system provides drill-down capabilities to provide detailed virtual server information as well as the ability to start, stop, reset and suspend virtual machines. The Dashboard gives an at-a-glance overview of the current hosts, virtual machines, their status, and resource activity. It allows easy identification of which hosts and virtual machines are running at high utilization levels and those with excess capacity. Manage provides further granularity to allow an IT administrator to create groups, set specific policy parameters with automated actions, view and act upon usage-trends data, and to optimize host-to-virtual-machine resources. Reports provide a convenient way to print and share information, and Configuration allows the user to set up e-mail and host settings.

“The primary catalyst for more widespread use of virtualization is our ability to manage virtual servers using policy-based and automated IT processes,” said Vipul Pabari, chief technology officer for ToutVirtual. “With VirtuallQ 525, we’re giving a Web-based, virtual-server management portal to IT administrators, and they can manage up to 5 CPUs or 25 virtual machines on multiple virtual platforms, all at no cost. VirtuallQ 525 is the first cross-platform automation solution that lets IT administrators proactively manage their virtual server environment without custom scripts or in-house developed products.”

Availability

The ToutVirtual VirtuallQ 525 freeware is available for download at <http://www.toutvirtual.com/downloads/downloads.php> For users needing greater than 5 CPUs or 25 virtual machine support, ToutVirtual expects to have additional products launching during the summer of 2006. ToutVirtual’s recently announced ShieldIQ Standard Edition, a free download, will be part of the VirtuallQ 525 offering.

About ToutVirtual

ToutVirtual, Inc. is an emerging leader in middleware software to manage and automate virtual computing processes and ease the move from pilot to production. VirtuallQ, the company’s flagship product suite, allows organizations to obtain a holistic view and control their virtual infrastructure including servers,

applications, storage, and clients independently of the underlying virtual computing platform. Unlike other companies whose products are vendor specific, platform specific, or network tier specific, ToutVirtual software works cross platform and multi-tier to prolong product life, protect IT investments, and maximize ROI. Additional information about the company and its products is available at <http://www.toutvirtual.com>.

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