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RackTop Systems and Seagate Form Strategic Partnership to Help Governments Solve Challenges in Data Storage Security and Compliance

The two companies launch their first joint product, the Secure Data Protection Platform (SDP2), a TAA- and GDPR-compliant, simple, drop-in data management solution with encryption

FULTON, Md. & CUPERTINO, Calif. – February 13, 2018 — RackTop Systems, a leading provider of high-performance Software-Defined Storage embedded with advanced security, encryption and compliance, today announced its strategic partnership with Seagate Technology plc (NASDAQ: STX), a world leader in data storage solutions, with the immediate availability of their joint product, the Secure Data Protection Platform (SDP2). Engineered to solve key cyber security and compliance issues facing governments, SDP2 is a high-performance, simple, drop-in data storage solution to solving NIST 800-171 and the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) security and compliance requirements.

The two companies are undertaking this new partnership to create data security solutions that meet evolving risk management standards. SDP2 combines RackTop's high-performance Software-Defined Storage platform with Seagate's BAA-/TAA-compliant FIPS 140-2 disk drives and enclosures, as well as FIPS-compliant, automated encryption key management. It immediately satisfies the 18 data-related controls of NIST 800-171. It also meets NIST 800-88 and FIPS 140-2 requirements for protecting non-classified information, is certified to ISO 28001 for supply chain security assurance, and meets the GDPR for security and compliance.

SDP2 goes over and above traditional Network-Attached Storage in both physical and virtual environments with a simplified, unified and secure data management solution with encryption, orchestration, versioning, replication, retention and disposition capabilities. Supporting SMB, NFS, AFP, and iSCSI network file sharing protocols, SDP2 encrypts all data with no impact to its high-performance storage and is designed for use as file shares, storage for virtual machines, DevOps, databases and large data repositories.

“Seagate Government Solutions is pleased to partner with RackTop to create exceptional data security solutions to meet rising risk management standards,” said Mike Moritzkat, vice president and general manager, Seagate Government Solutions. “The Secure Development Protection Platform – or SDP2 – is the first of many products Seagate is delivering to meet increasingly-stringent data security regulations in both the U.S. and EU.”

SDP2’s embedded advanced cybersecurity features include policy driven data protection, automatic ransomware protection, auditing and reporting, and Key Management Interoperability Protocol (KMIP) support. It scales easily from a few terabytes to multiple petabytes, satisfying both small or remote offices, as well as large data center implementations.

“RackTop is thrilled to partner with Seagate,” said Eric Bednash, CEO and co-founder of RackTop Systems. “By unifying our cyberconverged data storage software with Seagate’s FIPS certified hardware, SDP2 replaces traditional fragmented capabilities with a unified, secure, easy-to-manage platform that ensures compliance.”

SDP2 is available to the public sector through Carahsoft. For more information, visit <http://www.racktopsystems.com/sdp2>.

About RackTop Systems

RackTop Systems is a leading provider of high-performance Software-Defined Storage embedded with advanced security, encryption and compliance that empowers both government and commercial organizations. Headquartered in Fulton, Maryland, RackTop was founded in 2010 by veterans of the U.S. intelligence community who have been solving the most complex data and security problems for more than two decades. RackTop’s technology has been deployed at numerous organizations in a variety of industries worldwide, including government/DoD/public sector, media/advertising and entertainment, financial services, healthcare, higher education and life sciences, among others. For more information, visit www.racktopsystems.com and follow on Twitter [@RackTop](https://twitter.com/RackTop).

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