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New LinkRunner™ Duo Provides Fast Answers to Both Fiber and Copper Network Connectivity & Cabling Problems

Gigabit speeds combined with 802.1X and Power over Ethernet detection provide visibility to 90% of basic link issues for faster problem resolution and less escalation

EVERETT, Washington – Fluke Networks, provider of innovative Network SuperVision Solutions™ for the testing, monitoring and analysis of enterprise and telecommunications networks, today announced to availability of the new LinkRunner™ Duo Network Multimeter. LinkRunner Duo connects to both fiber and copper network links, at speeds up to one gigabit, allowing LinkRunner Duo to detect and identify 90% of basic connectivity and cabling problems without having to escalate the issue and wasting network engineer time.

Existing link-testing tools are blind to more than half of today's most common problems, due to lack of a fiber optic connection, inability to connect at gigabit speeds, or both. The LinkRunner Duo solves these shortcomings in a single compact instrument suitable for deployment to all frontline technicians in an organization. By adding fiber optic connectivity and gigabit connection speeds LinkRunner Duo empowers frontline network professionals to detect and resolve a broader range of today's link connectivity problems than was previously possible.

LinkRunner Duo also provides solutions to two other growing problems faced by network technicians: 802.1X security conflicts and Power over Ethernet (PoE) service. Technicians can now use their connectivity tester to verify 802.1X settings and resolve 802.1X conflicts through fast, positive identification rather than guesswork while

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reducing downtime. LinkRunner Duo also detects PoE service (802.3.af), consolidating more power troubleshooting in the hands of network technicians and reducing the need to escalate PoE issues to facilities.

For those issues which cannot be solved with LinkRunner Duo, the test tool generates comprehensive link status reports. These link reports provide valuable background information if the trouble ticket is routed to higher levels.

Product Availability

The LinkRunner Duo is available for immediate delivery through Fluke Networks' sales channels world wide. The instrument comes equipped with a Small Form-Factor Pluggable (SFP) port which accommodates a wide variety of SPF adapters. Fluke Networks offers a range of SPF adapters; or user-supplied adapters may also be employed.

About Fluke Networks

Fluke Networks provides innovative solutions for the installation and certification, testing, monitoring and analysis of copper, fiber and wireless networks used by enterprises and telecommunications carriers. The company's comprehensive line of Network SuperVision™ Solutions provide network installers, owners, and maintainers with superior vision, combining speed, accuracy and ease of use to optimize network performance. Headquartered in Everett, Washington, the company distributes its products in more than 50 countries. More information can be found by visiting Fluke Networks' Web site at www.flukenetworks.com or by calling (800) 283-5853.

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