

## Sun Microsystems Invests in Clustra, A Leader In Always-on Technology

**OAKLAND, Calif., June 5, 2001** -- Clustra Systems, Inc., a leading provider of always-on technology for the 24x7 world, today announced that Sun Microsystems, Inc. (Nasdaq: SUNW) has made an investment in the company. Sun's strategic investment forms part of Clustra's \$22 million Series B round of funding. The Clustra Database is an industrial-strength relational database designed to be continuously available without interruption through planned maintenance, hardware and software failures, database upgrades, natural disasters, and human mistakes. Clustra is built on open standards and delivers unprecedented scalability and real-time performance making it an essential solution for companies who require revenue-critical information to be continuously available without exception. Clustra intends to use Sun's investment to expand development and marketing of the company's next generation platform for complete always-on applications.

"The market opportunity for continuous uptime has incredible potential," said Brian Sutphin, Vice President of Strategic Investments for Sun Microsystems. "Investments in companies like Clustra Systems illustrates Sun's effort to support innovative solutions that provide significant value to customers."

"Sun's participation in Clustra is an endorsement of our effort to make continuous availability practical and affordable for every application and every organization" said Gary Ebersole, Chief Executive Officer of Clustra Systems. He added, "This relationship will allow both companies to extend our lead in always-on solutions."

### About Clustra Systems

Clustra Systems delivers proven always-on technology. Clustra began with a vision of a practical, cost effective database to address the stringent service level requirements of emerging 24x7 online applications, along with a firm belief that downtime is a design flaw. Based on years of advanced research, the Clustra Database was initially deployed to support Advanced Intelligent Network service for telecommunications carriers. Today, Clustra is designing the next-generation platform for always-on applications, and the Clustra Database is used worldwide for a variety of mission-critical applications. Clustra is backed by a world-class investment team, led by VantagePoint Venture Partners and including Clarity Capital, Mustang Ventures, Telesystem - Argo Global Capital, and private investors. For additional information on Clustra Systems, call 1-510-267-2200, or visit the company's Web site at [www.clustra.com](http://www.clustra.com).

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