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QUANTUM STORNEXT ENHANCES DIGITAL WORKFLOW FOR DIGIC PICTURES' 3D AND VFX PROJECTS

High-Performance File System Enables Hungarian Visual Effects Studio to Deliver Faster Digital Workflows and Shorten Production Schedules

LONDON, Sept. 7, 2012 – IBC2012 – Quantum Corp. (NYSE:QTM), a proven global expert in data protection and big data management, today announced that award-winning animation and visual effects studio, [Digic Pictures](#), has expanded its [Quantum StorNext®](#) software installation to speed the daily [file sharing and processing of rich media content](#) that takes place at its facility.

Digic specialises in full 3D animation and VFX (visual effects) for films, commercials and video games – including *Splinter Cell - Blacklist*, *Assassins Creed 3* and *Castlevania – Lord of the Shadows 2*. By expanding its StorNext deployment, Digic has improved its productivity, increased its storage capacity and shortened production schedules for data-heavy video projects.

Quantum worked with its strategic reseller Silicon Computers to streamline Digic's processes for it to be more competitive and efficient in a rapidly-moving industry. With two Quantum StorNext File Systems and 140 StorNext Distributed LAN Clients, Digic benefits from fast access to stored files for editing and rendering at speeds approximately 50% faster than traditional Network File System (NFS). The studio uses Ethernet connections to the LAN clients to keep costs low. Because the StorNext File System supports multiple operating platforms, Digic also was able to replace its original UNIX systems with multiple lower-cost Linux servers and Windows edit stations.

Gabor Kali, head of systems administration at Digid Pictures said: "The StorNext solution has significantly increased our productivity by allowing us to store our raw materials and rendered files on the same file system. The kind of extreme and random workload that we demand is beyond what any ordinary file system can support, but StorNext handles it every day."

Janae Stow Lee, senior vice president, File System and Archive Product Group at Quantum said: "When you are dealing with lots of data-hungry visual effects processing, the last thing you want is your teams waiting around to access files. With objects getting bigger and more complex, speed and efficiency of access are crucial for visual effects work, especially with 3D projects. Quantum continues to evolve its StorNext solutions to deliver the performance, scalability and flexibility that enable companies to address changing market needs."

Notes for editors

As well as two separate StorNext file systems, the Digid installation includes multiple fibre-attached Linux servers and Windows-based workstations. One of the StorNext file systems is served by approximately 30TB of high-speed Serial-Attached SCSI (SAS) disk storage used for current projects - both the working files for a project and the files for the texture and effects used during rendering. The second file system is served by 20TB of a slower Serial Advanced Technology Attachment (SATA) disk, which is used as an archive for inactive projects. Older work is moved to the second system when it is ready for archive but is easily available if it needs to be remounted to the work area for re-use.

Additional Resources

- Learn more about StorNext and the StorNext appliance family: www.quantum.com/products/BigDataManagement/index.aspx
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