



## News Release

### NETGEAR 8 x 4 Channel Bonded Cable Modem Achieves DOCSIS 3.0 Certification from CableLabs

*High-Speed CMD31B Cable Modem Joins Extensive Family of NETGEAR Products for Cable Operators*

**Bracknell, UK. — December 14, 2009** — NETGEAR®, Inc. (NASDAQGM: NTGR) a worldwide provider of technologically innovative, branded networking solutions, today announced that its newest Cable Modem, the CMD31B, achieved DOCSIS® 3.0 certification in CableLabs® Certification Wave 71. The CMD31B bonds eight downstream and four upstream channels, significantly exceeding the minimum 4 x 4 requirement of the DOCSIS 3.0 specification. The resulting data rates of up to 320 Mbps downstream and 120 Mbps upstream enable cable operators to deliver the most advanced service offerings available to residential and Small- to Medium-sized Business (SMB) customers.

“Achieving this certification of the CMD31B from CableLabs is a true milestone for NETGEAR as the CMD31B gives our cable operator customers a competitive edge in real-time interactive and streaming on-demand service delivery,” said David James, director of product management for NETGEAR. “We’re very pleased to be able to offer cable operators worldwide the DOCSIS 3.0 CMD31B as part of our expanding portfolio of high-performance cable Customer Premises Equipment (CPE).”

NETGEAR’s certified CMD31B enables service providers to offer unprecedented speeds on a Hybrid Fiber Coaxial (HFC) broadband network. It is future-proof with Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) and is also backwards-compatible with DOCSIS 2.0 and 1.1. It supports remote management and provisioning, simple plug-in installation, and post-installation manageability with Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). In addition, it offers a Gigabit Ethernet port so users can take full advantage of their high-speed WAN connections for enjoying the broadest spectrum of multimedia, file sharing, multimedia conferencing, video streaming, downloads, high performance gaming and music. Product details and photos of the CMD31B are at: [http://www.netgear.com/Products/RoutersandGateways/CableModems/CMD31B\\_CME31B.aspx](http://www.netgear.com/Products/RoutersandGateways/CableModems/CMD31B_CME31B.aspx).

NETGEAR’s CMD31B Cable Modem joins the expanding family of CableLabs-Certified® NETGEAR products that enable cable operators to offer advanced networking services to their home and business subscribers. NETGEAR has a complete portfolio of interoperable residential and SMB CPE, enabling service providers to control the deployment and operation of new services that increase revenues while reducing installation complexity and follow-up customer support. More information on NETGEAR’s CPE offerings for cable operators can be found at: <http://www.netgear.com/Solutions/BroadbandServiceProviders2/ProductDocument.aspx>.

About NETGEAR, Inc.

NETGEAR (NASDAQGM: NTGR) designs innovative, branded technology solutions that address the specific networking, storage, and security needs of Small- to Medium-sized Businesses (SMBs) and home users. The company offers an end-to-end networking product portfolio to enable users to share Internet access, peripherals, files, multimedia content, and applications among multiple computers and other Internet-enabled devices. Products are built on a variety of proven technologies such as wireless, Ethernet and powerline, with a focus on reliability and ease-of-use. NETGEAR products are sold in over 27,000 retail locations around the globe, and via more than 37,000 value-added resellers. The company’s headquarters are in San Jose, Calif., with additional offices in 25 countries. NETGEAR is an ENERGY STAR® partner. More information is available at <http://www.netgear.co.uk>. Connect with NETGEAR at <http://twitter.com/NETGEAR> and <http://www.facebook.com/netgear>.



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Note: Actual data throughput will vary from maximum signal rates stipulated. Network conditions and environmental factors, including volume of network traffic, building materials and construction, and network overhead, lower actual data throughput.

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