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PRODUCT REVIEWS

The data that a company produces or uses is essential part of the business process, while backing up the data through several different methods can insure the integrity of the information there are times when those methods aren't enough. Servers that house transactional data usually have the necessity to have a live backup such as the mirroring capabilities of the MiraLink 1000 that wins our Editor's Choice Award for functionality and ingenuity.

When you order the MiraLink 1000, the company actually sends you a pair of the 4U devices. Each system houses a 3.4GHz Intel processor with 1MB Level 2 cache and 2GB of RAM. Additionally they have dual redundant 300-watt power supplies and can house up to three Ultra 320 SCSI hard drives. One of the drives is used by the system and each of the units has a maximum storage capacity of 600GB.

The MiraLink 1000 works with almost every type of server including Windows, Linux, Novell and from what we can tell should function correctly with most brands of the UNIX operating system. The device connects to your server machine through a 68-pin high density SCSI connection. A 10/100/1000Base-T Ethernet port is used to connect to a network or the internet that gives it the ability to communicate with the other redundant MiraLink 1000.

There are no limitations as to the distance between the two units which means that you can house the mirrored device in a completely different location. This configuration means that you could house one unit in a standard server room and another MiraLink 1000 in a remote office or with a disaster recovery

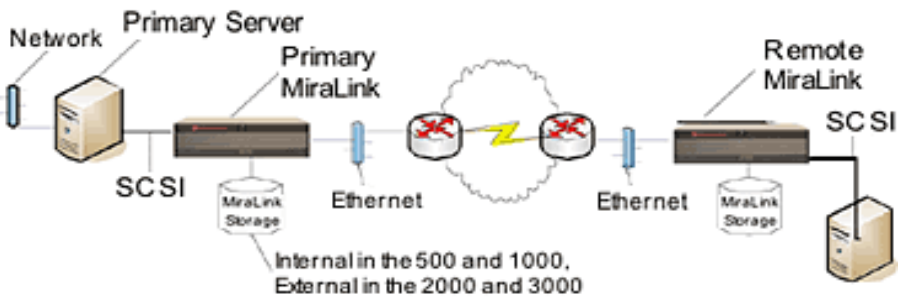
MiraLink 1000

Summary: Mirror 600GB of file server data in different locations with the MiraLink 1000 that receives our Editor's Choice Award for functionality and ingenuity.

Price: \$14,000

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additional security offered by the system when it comes to data integrity, we really think it is an exceptional value. There is more information and technical specifications on the company's web site at www.miralink.com.



company. With a good understanding of how your network operates it should only take around 30 minutes to install and configure each one of the MiraLink 1000 appliances. The company has a nifty slogan that says "get it, set it, forget it" and from our experience that slogan holds true.

Although you might think that the cost of the MiraLink 1000 is a bit high, the price of \$14,000 does include two of the devices. When you consider the



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