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CommScope Takes the Guesswork Out of DCIM

- Web-based Interactive Capacity Forecasting Highlights New Capability of iTRACS -

HICKORY, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- One of the biggest challenges for data center operators is the guesswork involved in planning and running the data center. A new capability in CommScope's iTRACS award-winning data center infrastructure management (DCIM) software suite helps address this challenge through capacity forecasting that provides a more solid understanding of data center assets.

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<u>ITRACS® DCIM 4.2</u> extends the user experience of DCIM with the iTRACS Capacity Forecaster[™] brows&brased engine allowing data center operators to predict, understand and act upon their future capacity needs across the entire physical ecosystem, including power, space (floor and rack), cooling and network connectivity.

According to Gartner's recent Magic Quadrant for Data Center Infrastructure Management Tools report, "Visionaries either demonstrate a good understanding of where the market is going or have a compelling vision about how to change market rules. However, they may be challenged to consistently execute against that vision because of undercapitalization, a limited market presence, lack of experience, smaller company size or narrower market scope. As the quadrant's name suggests, Visionaries are often innovators that introduce new capabilities earlier than the vendors typically found in the Challengers and Niche Players quadrants. In the DCIM market, Visionaries tend to be well-attuned to the impact of broader data center trends, including such things as integrated systems, software-defined data centers and alternative energy sources." The iTRACS 4.2 forecasting capability integrates data and information to predict the outcome of scenarios without relying heavily on historical information.

"Data center owners and operators have been looking for a better way to turn complex amounts of data pulled from their DCIM solution into predictive insight across all physical data center resources," said Ernest Pickens, senior vice president of new market development, CommScope. "Our breadth of capabilities across the datacenter and understanding of the trends gives us the insight to address customer needs and we believe has helped position us as a Visionary with Gartner."

In addition to iTRACS Capacity Forecaster, the 4.2 release offers better use of commissioning to enable faster implementation of new IT assets, thus reducing the lag time of experiencing the benefits of the new equipment. Operators can plan and execute more complex moves, adds and changes within the data center environment faster and more efficiently.

iTRACS 4.2 will be publically available and demonstrated at the <u>Gartner Data Center</u>, <u>Infrastructure & Operations Management</u> <u>Conference</u>, December 7-10 at booth #437 in Las Vegas.

The <u>iTRACS</u> DCIM software suite is globally available to CommScope customers and supported through CommScope's extensive <u>PartnerPROTM Network</u> he Capacity Forecaster is available to existing iTRACS customers as part of iTRACS' commitment to offering comprehensive DCIM capabilities solution.

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