## Avere Systems Selects Netlist's EXPRESSvault(TM) for Next-Generation NAS Appliance Solutions

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IRVINE, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 01/21/14 -- Netlist, Inc. (NASDAQ: NLST), a leading provider of high performance memory solutions for the cloud computing and storage markets, today announced that Avere Systems has integrated EXPRESSvault<sup>TM</sup> into its next-generation NAS storage appliances. Avere Systems selected EXPRESSvault<sup>TM</sup>, a compact PCI Express form factor solution that combines DRAM, flash, and ultracapacitor technologies to provide acceleration, perform fast cache backup and to eliminate reliability issues, system downtime maintenance, and performance degradation associated with traditional battery-backed solutions.

"The incorporation of Netlist's EXPRESSvault™ into our FXT Series Edge filers gives our customers the added reassurance that their data will be safe even in the event of an extended power outage," said Tom Hicks, Director of Engineering at Avere Systems. "We were looking for a reliable solution that could deliver best in class cost per performance and chose EXPRESSvault™ based on its proven ability to reduce downtime and costs, while providing fast recovery capabilities."

"Leading storage vendors, such as Avere Systems, continue to seek non-volatile, high performance hybrid memory solutions and have found Netlist's Vault portfolio to be the industry's best," said Chris Lopes, Vice President of Sales at Netlist. "We're proud to be selected by Avere Systems for use in its Edge/Core architecture and look forward to working with them on delivering compelling products for their storage portfolio."

Additional EXPRESSvault<sup>TM</sup> information is available at the Netlist website: http://www.netlist.com/products/vault-data-protection/expressvault/.

Additional FXT Series information is available at the Avere Systems website: http://www.averesystems.com.

## About Avere Systems:

Avere is radically changing the economics of data storage. Avere's solutions give companies -- for the first time -- the ability to put an end to the rising cost and complexity of data storage by allowing customers the freedom to store files anywhere in the cloud or on premises without sacrificing the performance, availability or security of their data. Based in Pittsburgh, Avere is led by veterans and thought leaders in the data storage industry and is backed by investors Lightspeed Venture Partners, Menlo Ventures, Norwest Venture Partners and Tenaya Capital. For more information, visit www.averesystems.com.

## About Netlist:

Netlist, Inc. designs and manufactures high-performance, logic-based memory subsystems for server and storage applications for cloud computing. Netlist's flagship products include HyperCloud®, a patented memory technology that breaks traditional performance barriers, NVvault™ and EXPRESSvault™ family of products that significantly accelerate system performance and provide mission critical fault tolerance, and a broad portfolio of industrial flash

and specialty memory subsystems including VLP (very low profile) DIMMs and Planar-X RDIMMs.

Netlist develops technology solutions for customer applications in which high-speed, high-capacity, small form factor and efficient heat dissipation are key requirements for system memory. These customers include OEMs that design and build tower, rack-mounted, and blade servers, high-performance computing clusters, engineering workstations and telecommunications equipment. Founded in 2000, Netlist is headquartered in Irvine, CA with manufacturing facilities in Suzhou, People's Republic of China. Learn more at www.netlist.com.

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