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CISCO LAUNCHES NEW CAREER CERTIFICATION FOR MULTISERVICE SWITCHING NETWORKING SKILLS

MEDIA ALERT – July 23, 2002 - Cisco Systems, Inc.[®], the worldwide leader in networking for the Internet, announced today the availability of the Cisco Multiservice Switching Specialist focused certification. The new certification validates the knowledge and technical expertise necessary to install, configure, support, and troubleshoot complex ATM-based networks in the service provider segment.

The Cisco Multiservice Switching Specialist certification validates competency in Cisco multiservice switching delivery, WAN ATM, frame relay, IP routing, digital voice processing and signaling, circuit emulation, MPLS and PNNI. It addresses the needs of network professionals who must successfully implement ATM multiservice switching and service provisioning based on BPX-MGX networks. Multiservice switches deliver cost effectiveness by providing high port densities, scalability, and carrier-class reliability.

Training and Exams

The Cisco Multiservice Switching Specialist requires candidates to have a valid CCNA[®] certification and pass the ATM Multiservice Switching 9E0-911 and the PNNI and MPLS Networking 9E0-921 exams. The certification is valid for two years from the date of passing the exams.

All training courses are available through Cisco Learning Partners and the Partner E-Learning Connection. Authorized Cisco Learning Partners instructors are certified by Cisco to provide the recommended courses in preparation for the required exams. Virtual

University Enterprises (VUE) and Prometric offer Cisco certification exams at locations worldwide.

For more information, visit www.cisco.com/go/training.

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