



## **CipherMax Completes CM180D Testing Under the IBM System Storage Proven™ Program**

**SAN JOSE, Calif. – March 3, 2008**– CipherMax, Inc. today announced that its CM180D disk storage encryption product has successfully completed interoperability testing with IBM's System Storage DS4700, DS6800 and DS8100 products and has been confirmed as IBM System Storage Proven. The IBM System Storage Proven program builds on IBM's already extensive interoperability efforts to develop and deliver products and solutions that work together with third party products.

"The ability to demonstrate system interoperability with IBM System Storage products enhances the value of the CipherMax solution to our mutual customers," said Charles Portnoy, Sr. Director of Business Development for CipherMax. "Our participation in this program demonstrates a shared commitment by CipherMax and IBM to deliver the highest level of customer satisfaction."

CipherMax's CM180D is a fabric-based storage security system that secures sensitive disk-based data with line-speed encryption across up to 16 Fibre Channel connections. The CM180D's flexible installation supports transparent operation as a SAN-attached appliance or deployment as a SAN switch with integrated security services. A compact, 1U chassis minimizes rack space and power consumption.

The tested solution demonstrates the ability to provide transparent, cost-effective encryption services for replicated data. The CM180D secures data stored on IBM disk array systems at local and remote facilities, mitigating the risk of unauthorized data viewing and enabling compliance with regulatory mandates addressing data privacy and confidentiality. The deployment of a clustered CM180D at a remote facility enables the ability to provide storage system failover and a quick recovery time in the event of a catastrophic event at the primary site.

The IBM System Storage Proven program supports the ability of independent hardware and software vendors to build high-quality solutions with the latest technology on leading storage platforms as well as reduce solution design time when multiple, tested building blocks have already been pre-tested.

### **About CipherMax, Inc.**

CipherMax, Inc. is the technology leader of enterprise-class storage security solutions. The company has developed the only Storage Security solution that offers the flexibility of deploying encryption in transparent controller mode, discovery mode or FC switching mode. The CM product family can scale from 16 to hundreds of encrypting ports, which are centrally managed through a single graphical interface. The unique CM solution also provides the convenience of remote key management and cost-effectively scales to meet the requirements of medium to large, distributed storage networks. Founded in 2000, CipherMax is headquartered in San Jose, California. CipherMax business and technical teams are from Cisco, EMC, HP, McData, NetApp and Symantec. For more information, visit [www.ciphermaxinc.com](http://www.ciphermaxinc.com)

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