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Dear CFS Customer,

We are pleased to inform you that the acquisition of Cluster File Systems, Inc. by Sun Microsystems, Inc., announced on September 12th, is now complete. As a valued CFS customer and user of Lustre™ technology, we'd like to provide you with additional information and explain how the acquisition demonstrates Sun's long term commitment to the open source community. Fundamental components of the acquisition include Sun's commitment to:

- Continue to support Lustre as an Open Source technology and promote the Open Source community surrounding it
- Provide support for existing Lustre customers and partners. Sun will work together with CFS to migrate existing CFS agreements to Sun and all existing customers, operating systems, hardware and OEM/business partners will continue to be supported.
- Continue to support and enhance Lustre on Linux across multi vendor hardware platforms
- Develop the Lustre road map and like Open Solaris, the latest versions of the product will be open source and freely available for download
- Deliver Lustre servers on top of Sun's industry leading open source Solaris ZFS solution; one of the fastest growing storage virtualization technologies in the marketplace.

The combination of Lustre technology and Sun's innovative product portfolio – including the open source Sun Constellation System and ZFS - will strengthen Sun's portfolio and enable us (along with our partners) to offer customers an even more complete and open HPC solution. The acquisition of CFS allows Sun to extend its leadership position by offering the most complete and open solution for Solaris and Linux HPC Clusters.

We are truly excited about Sun and CFS joining forces, the acquisition reflects our determination to offer the best solutions to our customers. Our combined resources and expertise will lead to increased savings in capital expenditures, energy consumption and time to results. If you have any questions about the acquisition, please work with your CFS contacts or email [Lustre-questions@sun.com](mailto:Lustre-questions@sun.com).

Thank you in advance for your ongoing business and support.

Sincerely yours,

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