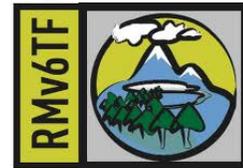# IPv6 Adoption Critical for the Preservation and Growth of the Internet

The Internet Society and the Rocky Mountain IPv6 Task Force unify events in Denver to increase IPv6 adoption rate

[Denver, Colorado – April 9, 2013] – The number of available Internet Protocol version 4 (IPv4) addresses is declining rapidly and will soon leave businesses and individuals worldwide who have not yet adopted the new IPv6 protocol with limited options for connecting new devices to the global Internet.

To help ensure this does not happen, the Internet Society Colorado Chapter and the Rocky Mountain Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) Task Force (RMv6TF) have joined forces to advance deployment of IPv6. On April 17, 2013, the Internet Society-organized INET Denver will co-locate with the 2013 North American IPv6 Summit in Denver, Colorado, creating the largest IPv6-focused event in North America this year.

United in the goal to preserve the growth and development of the global Internet, the world's largest platform of global communication and commerce, the Internet Society and the RMv6TF will leverage both events in Denver to spread awareness and educate the industry on the importance of the adoption of IPv6.

"As IPv4 is rapidly running out of IP addresses to support the explosive number of devices connecting to the Internet, it is critical that the world embrace IPv6 as the new normal," said Scott Hogg, Chair-Emeritus, RMv6T. "IPv6, unlike its predecessor IPv4, essentially has an unlimited number of IP addresses available, so businesses across the globe can continue to use the Internet as a primary vehicle for collaboration, commerce, and innovation."

INET Denver: *IPv4 Exhaustion and the Path to IPv6* brings together top industry experts with professionals in the networking field to discuss the depletion of IPv4 in the market and the TCO of IPv6. A compelling variety of sessions and panels will give industry professionals a chance to understand why the time to move to IPv6 is now. Speakers at INET Denver feature a wide range of organizations successfully deploying IPv6, including Richard Jimmerson, Director of the Internet Society's Deploy360 Programme, which provides real-world deployment information for key Internet technologies such as IPv6 and DNSSEC.

Remarking on the importance of deploying new technologies such as IPv6, Jimmerson said, "In the last 15 years, the Internet has completely changed the way the world conducts business. Nothing is more important to your business continuity than paying attention to changes in the core Internet protocols."

Discounted registration is available to INET Denver for Internet Society members and the entire event will be streamed live for those unable to attend in person. For registration and more information, see: http://www.internetsociety.org/events/inet-denver.

To further the education and awareness gained from INET Denver, the North American IPv6 Summit will continue the momentum with two days of discussions, panels, and workshops, giving network professionals the opportunity to gain in-depth knowledge on what it takes to transition to IPv6. Discussions will include hot topics around *BYOD*, the *Do's and Don'ts of IPv6 Transitions*, *Enterprise Deployments* and overall best practices, with powerful keynotes from Latif Ladid, President, IPv6 Forum and Google Vice President and Chief Internet Evangelist Vint Cerf.

Additionally, the conference will also host a full day of pre-conference tutorials at a small additional fee for attendees looking for training and development on IPv6. An Introduction course, Security Course, and Advanced training class are offered. There are still seats available for these valuable tutorials. Don't miss out. Register today.

About the Internet Society
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About The Rocky Mountain IPv6 Task Force
Dedicated to the advancement and adoption of Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6), the Rocky Mountain IPv6 Task Force (RMv6TF) works to educate the community on IPv6 and its benefits. As a sub-chapter of the North American IPv6 Task Force, the organization primarily hosts local IPv6-focused events to promote the use of IPv6 within the Rocky Mountain region. The RMv6TF is a non-profit/tax-exempt organization that industry and government can look to for guidance on IPv6 transition information and advice about best practices and solutions involving IPv6. For more information, visit www.RMv6TF.org.

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