Electricity Authority of Cyprus Powers End-to-End Network Security Protection With Fortinet

Integrated Security Provides Multi-Threat Protection From the Core to the Network Perimeter

SUNNYVALE, CA, Aug 02, 2010 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Fortinet(R) (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a leading network security provider and a worldwide leader of unified threat management (UTM) solutions -- today announced that the Electricity Authority of Cyprus has deployed Fortinet appliances for end-to-end network security protection. As part of its new Internet perimeter security infrastructure, the Electricity Authority of Cyprus has deployed Fortinet FortiGate(R) appliances as well as FortiMail(TM), FortiWeb(TM), FortiClient(TM), FortiAnalyzer(TM) and FortiManager(TM) appliances.

Previously using point solutions from different vendors for its network security infrastructure, the Electricity Authority of Cyprus found the solutions complex to manage as well as having interoperability issues. In addition, the rapidly changing information security landscape was a driving factor in the Electricity Authority of Cyprus looking at a multi-threat security appliance approach to protecting its network.

Some of the key requirements that the Electricity Authority of Cyprus had for its new security infrastructure included: a redundant Internet connection; stateful firewall protection; two levels of network security protection; the ability to create DMZs between two sets of firewalls; unified threat management functionality including intrusion prevention, antivirus, antispam, Web application protection and endpoint security protection along with the ability to easily manage and analyze data crossing the network.

"Fortinet provided an intelligent integration of multiple security technologies to protect EAC against blended threats. The architecture, with integrated hardware acceleration, provided us a high performance and scalable security solution while delivering at the same time a centralized management and reporting platform," said Socrates Avraamides, IT security officer at Electricity Authority of Cyprus.

Working closely with GCC Computers Ltd, a Fortinet channel partner and leading IT and security solutions provider, the Electricity Authority of Cyprus selected the following Fortinet products for its Internet perimeter security project:

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--  Two FortiGate-620B appliances in high availability (HA) mode serving
    as the external firewall and two more as the internal firewall
--  Two FortiGate-620B appliances to support BGP dynamic routing protocol
--  Two FortiGate-310B appliances providing intrusion prevention in front
    of the external firewall, two in front of the internal firewall and
    two at the Vasilikos Power Station
--  Two FortiGate-310B appliances to provide intrusion prevention
    protection at the different Electricity Authority of Cyprus locations
--  Two FortiMail-200 messaging security appliances to scan all email
    crossing the network
--  1,000 FortiClient endpoint security solutions deployed on Electricity
    Authority of Cyprus employee laptops for VPN and antivirus protection
    as well as for WAN optimization
--  Two FortiWeb-1000B appliances for Web application security
--  Two FortiAnalyzer-1000B appliances for analyzing and reporting on data
    traversing the network
--  Two FortiManager-400B appliances for managing all FortiGate appliances
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"We are very pleased that the Fortinet platform is deployed as the backbone of the Electricity Authority of Cyprus' network infrastructure, proving once again the robustness of our technology," said Patrice Perche, vice president of International Sales and Support at Fortinet. "Our integrated security approach allows customers to benefit from true end-to-end network security, which becomes critical with today's ever changing threat landscape and the continued extension of companies' network perimeter."

About EAC EAC (Electricity Authority of Cyprus) is responsible for the generation of electric power and the continued and reliable transmission and distribution of the demand for electricity at any time with safety, satisfying the qualitative and environmental requirements. EAC's mission is to provide its customers with the highest quality of safe and reliable services in

the energy sector and in other activities at competitive prices, respecting society, the environment and the people and contributing to the development of the country.

EAC takes all appropriate measures for a superior customer service by offering a service in the areas of energy and other activities with safety, security and reliability.

About FortiGate Fortinet's FortiGate systems are ASIC-accelerated security appliances that integrate core security and network functionalities including firewall, SSL and IPSec VPN, antivirus, intrusion prevention, Web filtering, antispam, application control, data loss prevention, SSL traffic inspection and WAN optimization. All FortiGate systems are kept up to date automatically by Fortinet's FortiGuard(R) Network, which helps protect against the most damaging, content-based threats from email and Web traffic such as viruses, worms, intrusions, other unwanted network traffic and more -- around the clock and around the world. Fortinet solutions have won multiple awards and are the only security products that are certified in five programs by ICSA Labs for firewall, antivirus, IPSec VPN, network IPS and antispam.

About Fortinet (www.fortinet.com) Fortinet (NASDAQ: FTNT) is a worldwide provider of network security appliances and a market leader in unified threat management (UTM). Our products and subscription services provide broad, integrated and high-performance protection against dynamic security threats while simplifying the IT security infrastructure. Our customers include enterprises, service providers and government entities worldwide, including the majority of the 2009 Fortune Global 100. Fortinet's flagship FortiGate product delivers ASIC-accelerated performance and integrates multiple layers of security designed to help protect against application and network threats. Fortinet's broad product line goes beyond UTM to help secure the extended enterprise -- from endpoints, to the perimeter and the core, including databases and applications. Fortinet is headquartered in Sunnyvale, Calif., with offices around the world.

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