



SmarTone-Vodafone Chooses Fortinet to Secure Its Wireless Network

FortiGate(R) Appliances Provide Telecommunications Leader With Superior Firewalling, IPS Performance, Security Control and TCO

SUNNYVALE, CA, Jun 15, 2010 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Fortinet(R) (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a leading network security provider and worldwide leader of unified threat management (UTM) solutions, today announced that SmarTone-Vodafone, a total communications leader in providing voice, broadband and multimedia & applications in the mobile and fixed markets in Hong Kong, has chosen Fortinet to help secure its wireless network. SmarTone-Vodafone has deployed four Fortinet FortiGate(R) integrated multi-threat security appliances in its datacenter for firewalling and intrusion prevention system (IPS) functionalities to secure its wireless network traffic. SmarTone-Vodafone has also deployed FortiAnalyzer(TM) and FortiManager(TM) appliances for centralized network visibility, reporting and management.

Stephen Chau, Chief Technology Officer of SmarTone-Vodafone, said, "As smartphone usage accelerates in Hong Kong, robust security is becoming increasingly important. With its reliable firewalling and IPS functionality on a consolidated security platform, Fortinet's solution provides us with better network security visibility and higher performance to meet our rapidly expanding wireless network requirements."

The SmarTone-Vodafone deployment further proves that Fortinet is at the forefront of the mobile security race. George Chang, regional director of Southeast Asia and Hong Kong region at Fortinet, adds, "Expanding and opening up networks for roaming, innovation in mobile services, and the significant adoption of mobile devices all have created new security challenges for telco operators. By protecting SmarTone-Vodafone's network, we further prove the advantage of our consolidated security solutions in terms of performance, flexibility and ROI as well as negate the argument that integrated security cannot also provide individual best-of-breed security applications."

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 SmarTone-Vodafone (www.smartone-vodafone.com)

SmarTone-Vodafone is a leader in total communications in Hong Kong, providing voice, multimedia and broadband services in the mobile and fixed markets through its ubiquitous GSM/3G/HSPA+ network. Its goal is to create and deliver unbeatable experiences to targeted customer segments through relevant, easy-to-use and innovative products and services. SmarTone-Vodafone is a Partner Network of Vodafone Group Plc, the world's leading mobile telecommunications company. Its holding company, SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited, was established in 1992 and has been listed in Hong Kong since 1996. The company is a subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai Properties Limited, one of the largest developers in Hong Kong.

About Fortinet (www.fortinet.com) Fortinet (NASDAQ: FTNT) is a worldwide provider of network security appliances and the 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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