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IronPort Systems Leads Industry Beyond Spam Fighting with Highest Performance Email Security Appliance Enhanced IronPort C-Series Appliance Includes Email Security Manager™ for Comprehensive Control of World's Most Advanced Email Security Features

SAN BRUNO, Calif.—September 27, 2004—IronPort Systems™, the world's leading email security products company, today announced the latest version of the IronPort C-Series Email Security Appliance. The IronPort C-Series now includes Email Security Manager™, a single and comprehensive dashboard providing unprecedented insight and control for all email security tools including IronPort's preventive Reputation Filtering and Virus Outbreak Filters, as well as Anti-Spam, Anti-Virus, Content Scanning, Policy Management, and Message Encryption. The latest version of the IronPort C-Series marks a significant step forward in the industry, beyond spam fighting, by providing a single appliance, with a vast feature set and easy-to-use interface that attacks the complex email security problem with technological sophistication and power.

IronPort Email Security Manager

IronPort Email Security Manager™ incorporates critical components of preventive and reactive security solutions with a sophisticated user interface to simplify the task of protecting critical email infrastructures. Combined with IronPort's centralized management functionality, Email Security Manager allows network administrators to set different incoming mail flow policies for individual senders, giving administrators the unique ability to rate limit message delivery based on the reputation of each sender. Built with industry-leading reporting functionality, administrators can also retrieve real-time and historical email traffic reports for analysis and tracking.

Virus Outbreak Filters

As a unique part of the latest version of the IronPort C-Series Email Security Appliance, Virus Outbreak Filters provide a proactive, critical first layer of defense against new virus outbreaks. Analyzing global data from SenderBase™, the industry's largest email traffic monitoring network, the IronPort solution detects new virus outbreaks and responds dynamically to provide protection. Beta results from Virus Outbreak Filters has shown incredible effectiveness. During the "my doom.o" variant outbreak, the IronPort Virus Outbreak Filters detected and quarantined infected messages 4 hours and 48 minutes ahead of traditional defenses, blocking more than 40K infected messages at a typical Fortune 500 company.

"Spam is much more than unwanted email," said Peter Christy, co-founder of NetsEdge Research. "Today Spam is a key vector for the propagation of viruses, worms and other forms of malware, and a key enabling technology for diverse forms of messaging fraud. IronPort's Virus Outbreak Filters are an innovative and powerful tool in the war on email abuse and along with the other tools and options give IronPort customers a uniquely comprehensive arsenal of weapons."

Enterprise Management Tools

In addition to Email Security Manager and Virus Outbreak Filters, the new IronPort C -Series includes powerful enterprise-class management features including centralized management and onboard system quarantine to enforce email security. IronPort's centralized management employs a superior peer-to-peer architecture to ensure no single-point of failure and enables multi-appliance management without the added cost of a central management server. The onboard system quarantine is tightly integrated with Email Security Manager and Virus Outbreak Filters to provide administrators with additional time to review policy violations and react to new threats. Delegated administration of the quarantine can be leveraged to reduce administrative burden and allow service or legal personnel to release or delete messages from the system. The new generation of IronPort C-Series email security appliances provides true carrier-proven technology with enterprise-class management and security features to lead the industry beyond spam fighting to ensure the security and availability of mission critical email infrastructures.

Carrier-Proven Technology, Enterprise Class Management

With this latest release of the IronPort C-Series, enterprises can take advantage of the only email security appliance on the market today that is robust enough to support ISP email traffic and still contains the security and management tools enterprises demand. Used by 6 of the top 10 ISPs, the IronPort C-Series provides advanced threat prevention, blocks spam and viruses, and strengthens corporate email policy enforcement in a single appliance. IronPort's unprecedented success in the world's largest ISPs is important because it clearly validates the power of the IronPort platform, satisfying the most demanding email networks in the world. This ISP customer base is also significant because the data that results from these ISP deployments powers IronPort's SenderBase Network, resulting in unique security services such as IronPort's Virus Outbreak Filters.

"We are very proud of our achievements in the large enterprise and ISP market segments," said Tom Gillis, Senior Vice President Worldwide Marketing, IronPort Systems. "These customers are very strategic, as they push our products and they enable powerful new features like Virus Outbreak Filters. With the release of our new enterprise management tools, this sophisticated platform is now within reach of every enterprise, small or large."

ABOUT IRONPORT SYSTEMS

IronPort Systems is the leading email security provider for organizations ranging from small businesses to the Global 2000. The company has developed a family of email security appliances, the IronPort C-Series(TM), that offer breakthrough performance, unprecedented ease of use and reduced total cost of ownership. IronPort is driving new standards and providing innovative products for those faced with the monumental task of managing, protecting, and growing mission-critical email systems. For more information on IronPort products and services, visit: <http://www.ironport.com>.