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Fortinet's FortiGate-140D-POE Wins SC Magazine 5 Star Award and "Best Buy" Rating

High Performance and Feature Rich Unified Threat Management (UTM) Appliance "...Offers Solid Perimeter Defense -- as Seen in Much Larger and More Expensive Systems"

SUNNYVALE, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 03/07/14 -- Fortinet® (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a world leader in high-performance network security -- today announced the company's FortiGate-140D-POE was honored by SC Magazine with a five star (out of five stars) award, "Best Buy" rating and "Pick of the Litter" in the magazine's latest UTM appliance roundup published on March 3, 2014. The appliance won perfect five star marks in the categories of Features, Support, Ease of Use, Value for Money, Performance and Documentation. For the <u>full review</u>, please visit: http://www.scmagazine.com/fortinet-fortigate-140d-poe/review/4120/

In a head-to-head comparison against six security appliances from competitors that included Check Point, Dell SonicWALL, WatchGuard and Cyberoam, SC Magazine reviewer, Peter Stephenson wrote, "The FortiGate-140D-POE from Fortinet offers a built-in firewall, intrusion prevention system, application control, web and email filtering and anti-virus in one solid appliance. Driven by the Fortinet FortiOS platform, this tool provides robust protection at the gateway that is easy to configure and easy to manage."

About the FortiGate-140D Series

The FortiGate-140D series of network security appliances deliver integrated Unified Threat Management (UTM) protection for both wired and wireless networks, making them ideal for midsize businesses, branch offices and distributed retail, healthcare, and financial services networks. The FortiGate-140D and 140D-POE also provide very high port density and high-performance throughput at a very affordable price point, enabling enterprises to combine security, switching and wireless controller functions into a single platform that lowers costs and simplifies the network.

The FortiGate-140D includes 42-Gigabit Ethernet ports. The high port density enables organizations to granularly segment their data and devices for regulatory compliance purposes and isolate sensitive information and systems such as cardholder data, point of sale terminals or medical devices. Customers can also configure the switch ports on the FortiGate-140D series to create Virtual Local Area Networks (VLANs) to logically separate devices on their network into smaller broadcast domains. VLANs increase the security of sensitive or regulated data by allowing devices on a VLAN to communicate only with other devices on that VLAN. The 140D-POE offers the additional feature of providing 16 Power over Ethernet (PoE) interfaces, which supply power directly to a range of devices such as wireless access points, Voice over IP (VoIP) phones and IP security cameras.

The appliance's broad feature set includes application control, intrusion prevention, advanced threat protection, built-in wireless controller to manage wireless access points, integrated switching, local logging and endpoint policy enforcement. Powered by FortiOS 5, the world's most powerful network security operating system, and FortiASIC, the latest in Fortinet's custom ASIC technology, the FortiGate-140D series is the most comprehensive and highest performing security platforms in their price class.

In addition, the product's 'single-pane-of-glass' management console makes it easy to deploy and manage. The hardware's ability to integrate with FortiManager and FortiAnalyzer reduces operating costs through simple, comprehensive security management, reporting and analysis. Internal storage provides local archiving of data for policy compliance, local reporting and WAN optimization.

Deploy with Ease

"Fortinet has continued to streamline its install and setup process to make deploying the FortiGate easier and easier year after year," Stephenson continued. "This year, we noticed continued support of web-, CLI- and application-based (through the use of the FortiExplorer application) installation options, but we also noticed that the appliance now can be configured using an iPhone or iPad through the use of an app as well. Regardless of the method of deployment, we found this appliance easy to get up and running in no time at all through the use of an easy-to-follow setup wizard."

Stephenson concluded his review by noting, "At a price just over \$4,000, we find (the FortiGate-140D-POE) to be an excellent value for the money. (It) offers solid perimeter defense -- as seen in much larger and more expensive systems -- at a price that is reasonable for smaller environments without compromising functionality."

"The FortiGate-140D-POE is one of a number of new Connected UTM appliances we introduced in July last year that integrates comprehensive enterprise-grade security protection with a broad range of wired and wireless connectivity options," said John

Maddison, vice president of marketing for Fortinet. "Ideally suited for branch office deployments, the FortiGate-140D-POE simplifies the network by making it easier for IT to manage security and infrastructure while lowering TCO. What's more, the appliance has the highest port density in its class and features integrated switching, enabling it to connect with a wide range of devices on the network."

About Fortinet

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