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Fortinet Reports Third Quarter 2012 Financial Results

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- Revenues of \$136.3 million, up 17% year over year(2)
- Billings of \$145.0 million, up 22% year over year(1)
- GAAP diluted net income per share of \$0.10
- Non-GAAP diluted net income per share of \$0.14(1)
- Cash flow from operations of \$40.8 million
- Free cash flow of \$24.3 million(1,3)
- Cash, cash equivalents and investments of \$690.3 million(3), with no debt

Fortinet® (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a leader in high-performance network security -- today announced financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2012.

Financial Highlights for the Third Quarter of 2012

- *Revenue(2):* Total revenue was \$136.3 million for the third quarter of 2012, an increase of 17% compared to \$116.4 million in the same quarter of 2011. Within total revenue, product revenue was \$63.0 million, an increase of 19% compared to the same quarter of 2011. Services revenue was \$69.8 million, an increase of 21% compared to the same quarter of 2011.
- *Billings(1,2):* Total billings were \$145.0 million for the third quarter of 2012, an increase of 22% compared to \$118.4 million in the same quarter of 2011.
- Deferred Revenue: Deferred revenue was \$340.1 million as of September 30, 2012, an increase of 24% compared to deferred revenue of \$275.1 million as of September 30, 2011, and up \$8.7 million from \$331.4 million as of June 30, 2012.
- Cash and Cash Flow(1,2,3): As of September 30, 2012, cash, cash equivalents and investments were \$690.3 million, compared to \$644.4 million as of June 30, 2012. In the third quarter of 2012, cash flow from operations was \$40.8 million and free cash flow was \$24.3 million.
- *GAAP Operating Income(1,2):* GAAP operating income was \$25.8 million for the third quarter of 2012, representing a GAAP operating margin of 19%. GAAP operating income was \$26.2 million for the same quarter of 2011, representing a GAAP operating margin of 22%.
- GAAP Net Income and Diluted Net Income Per Share(1,2): GAAP net income was \$17.2 million for the third quarter of 2012, based on a 36% tax rate for the quarter. This compares to GAAP net income of \$17.9 million for the same quarter of 2011, based on a 34% tax rate for the quarter. GAAP diluted net income per share was \$0.10 for the third quarter of 2012, based on 166.8 million weighted-average diluted shares outstanding, compared to \$0.11 for the same quarter of 2011, based on 163.9 million weighted-average diluted shares outstanding.
- Non-GAAPOperating Income(1,2): Non-GAAP operating income was \$34.1 million for the third quarter of 2012, representing a non-GAAP operating margin of 25%. Non-GAAP operating income was \$31.4 million for the same quarter of 2011, representing a non-GAAP operating margin of 27%.
- Non-GAAPNet Income and Diluted Net Income Per Share(1,2): Non-GAAP net income was \$23.2 million for the third quarter of 2012, based on a 34% effective tax rate for the quarter. Non-GAAP net income for the same quarter of 2011 was \$21.7 million, based on a 33% effective tax rate. Non-GAAP diluted net income per share was \$0.14 for the third quarter of 2012 based on 166.8 million weighted-average diluted shares outstanding, compared to \$0.13 for the same quarter of 2011, based on 163.9 million weighted-average diluted shares outstanding.

(1) A reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures has been provided in the financial statement tables included in this press release. An explanation of these measures is also included below under the heading "Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

(2) Includes the impact of a \$1.8 million sale and a \$2.6 million sale of previously-acquired patents during the third quarter of 2012 and 2011, respectively.

(3) Includes the impact of \$14.5 million paid for the purchase of land and buildings near our Silicon Valley headquarters.

Management Commentary:

Ken Xie, founder, president and chief executive officer of Fortinet, stated: "Our third quarter performance highlights the underlying strength of our technology and market adoption of Fortinet solutions, especially among enterprises, where we are seeing strong growth. We are excited about our innovative new FortiOS 5.0 and FortiASIC SoC-2 'System-on-a-Chip,' which we also announced today and which will further differentiate us in the market. We remain focused on executing our growth strategy by continuing to strengthen our research and development capabilities to continue to drive product innovation and by expanding our sales and support infrastructure."

Ken Goldman, chief financial officer of Fortinet, stated: "We are pleased with our third quarter results, which were consistent with expectations across all of our key operating metrics. Our business remains very diverse in terms of products offered, as well as verticals and geographies served, and we are at the beginning of a very strong new product cycle. We remain encouraged by the momentum we are seeing in the business and believe we are well positioned to maintain growth due to the combination of our technology advantage, strong cash flow generation capabilities, and over \$690 million in cash on the balance sheet with no debt. We are confident as we enter the fourth quarter and remain focused on continuing to drive productivity improvements to deliver against our goals of long-term operating margin expansion. Finally, as I will be ending my five-year tenure at Fortinet this week, I want to express my confidence in the company and its future. It has been a rewarding experience managing Fortinet from a private company, through its successful IPO, and then through twelve quarters of growth and outperformance as a public company."

Conference Call Details

Fortinet will host a conference call today, October 16, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time (4:30 p.m. Eastern Time) to discuss its financial results. To access this call, dial (877) 303-6913 (domestic) or (224) 357-2188 (international) with conference ID # 39812108. A live webcast of the conference call and supplemental slides will be accessible from the Investor Relations page of Fortinet's website at http://investor.fortinet.com/events.cfm. A replay of this conference call can also be accessed through October 30, 2012, by dialing (855) 859-2056 (domestic) or (404) 537-3406 (international) with conference ID# 39812108.

Following Fortinet's earnings conference call, the Company will host an additional question-and-answer session at 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time (6:30 p.m. Eastern Time) to provide an opportunity for financial analysts and investors to ask more detailed product and financial questions. To access this call, dial (877) 303-6913 (domestic) or (224) 357-2188 (international) with conference ID # 39812780. This follow-up call will be webcast live and accessible at http://investor.fortinet.com, and a replay will be archived and available after the call at http://investor.fortinet.com, and a replay will be archived and available after the call at http://investor.fortinet.com, and a replay will be archived and available after the call at http://investor.fortinet.com, and a replay will be archived and available after the call at http://investor.fortinet.com, and a replay will also be available through October 30, 2012 by dialing (855) 859-2056 (domestic) or (404) 537-3406 (international) with conference ID # 39812780.

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 2011 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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Forward-looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. These forward-looking statements include statements regarding the momentum in our business, growth of our business, and operating margin expansion. Although we attempt to be accurate in making forward-looking statements, it is possible that future circumstances might differ from the assumptions on which such statements are based. Important factors that could cause results to differ materially from the statements herein include the following: general economic risks; specific economic risks in different geographies and among different customer segments; uncertainty regarding increased business and renewals from existing customers; uncertainties around continued success in sales growth and market share gains; failure to convert sales pipeline into final

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

We have provided in this release financial information that has not been prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). We use these non-GAAP financial measures internally in analyzing our financial results and believe they are useful to investors, as a supplement to GAAP measures, in evaluating our ongoing operational performance. We believe that the use of these non-GAAP financial measures provides an additional tool for investors to use in evaluating ongoing operating results and trends and in comparing our financial results with other companies in our industry, many of which present similar non-GAAP financial measures to investors.

Non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. Investors are encouraged to review the reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures below. As previously mentioned, a reconciliation of our non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP measures has been provided in the financial statement tables included below in this press release.

Billings. We define billings as revenue recognized plus the change in deferred revenue from the beginning to the end of the period. We consider billings to be a useful metric for management and investors because billings drive deferred revenue, which is an important indicator of the health and visibility of our business, and has historically represented a majority of the quarterly revenue that we recognize. There are a number of limitations related to the use of billings versus revenue calculated in accordance with GAAP. First, billings include amounts that have not yet been recognized as revenue. Second, we may calculate billings in a manner that is different from peer companies that report similar financial measures. Management compensates for these limitations by providing specific information regarding GAAP revenue and evaluating billings together with revenues calculated in accordance with GAAP.

Free cash flow. We define free cash flow as net cash provided by operating activities minus capital expenditures. We consider free cash flow to be a liquidity measure that provides useful information to management and investors about the amount of cash generated by the business that, after the acquisition of property and equipment, can be used for strategic opportunities, including investing in our business, making strategic acquisitions, and strengthening the balance sheet. Analysis of free cash flow facilitates management's comparisons of our operating results to competitors' operating results. A limitation of using free cash flow versus the GAAP measure of net cash provided by operating activities as a means for evaluating the Company is that free cash flow does not represent the total increase or decrease in the cash balance from operations for the period because it excludes cash used for capital expenditures. Management compensates for this limitation by providing information about our capital expenditures on the face of the cash flow statement and under the caption "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Liquidity and Capital Resources" in our most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Non-GAAP operating income and operating margin. We define non-GAAP operating income as operating income plus stockbased compensation reduced by the income from payments we received from a patent settlement. Non-GAAP operating margin is defined as non-GAAP operating income divided by revenue. We consider these non-GAAP financial measures to be useful metrics for management and investors because they exclude the effect of stock-based compensation expense and patent settlement related income so that our management and investors can compare our recurring core business operating results over multiple periods. There are a number of limitations related to the use of non-GAAP operating income versus operating income calculated in accordance with GAAP. First, non-GAAP operating income excludes stock-based compensation expense in our business. Second, stock-based compensation is an important part of our employees' compensation and impacts their performance. Third, the components of the costs that we exclude in our calculation of non-GAAP operating income may differ from the components that our peer companies exclude when they report their non-GAAP results of operations. Management compensates for these limitations by providing specific information regarding the GAAP amounts excluded from non-GAAP operating income and evaluating non-GAAP operating income together with operating income calculated in accordance with GAAP.

Non-GAAP net income and diluted net income per share. We define non-GAAP net income as net income plus stock-based compensation expense reduced by the income from payments we received from a patent settlement, less the related tax

effects. We define non-GAAP diluted net income per share as non-GAAP net income divided by the weighted-average diluted shares outstanding. We consider these non-GAAP financial measures to be useful metrics for management and investors for the same reasons that we use non-GAAP operating income and non-GAAP operating margin. However, in order to provide a complete picture of our recurring core business operating results, we exclude from non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted net income per share, the tax effects associated with stock-based compensation and the patent settlement. We believe the effective tax rates we used are reasonable estimates of long-term normalized tax rates under our global operating structure. The same limitations described above regarding our use of non-GAAP operating income and non-GAAP operating margin apply to our use of non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted net income per share. We compensate for these limitations by providing specific information regarding the GAAP amounts excluded from non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted net income per share and evaluating non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted net income per share together with net income per share calculated in accordance with GAAP.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited, in thousands)

	Sept	ember 30,	December 31,		
		2012	2011		
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	75,466	\$ 71,990		
Short-term investments		299,180	318,283		
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for					
doubtful accounts of \$234 and \$336,					
respectively		89,843	95,522		
Inventory		26,182	16,249		
Deferred tax assets		7,088	7,578		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		16,893	13,948		
Total current assets		514,652	523,570		
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT-Net		26,020	7,966		
DEFERRED TAX ASSETS-Non-current		50,393	46,523		
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS		315,657	148,414		
OTHER ASSETS		6,546	8,274		

TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 913,268	\$ 734,747
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 23,160	\$ 19,768
Accrued liabilities	19,032	15,971
Accrued payroll and compensation	25,940	24,197
Deferred revenue	230,562	206,928
Total current liabilities	298,694	266,864
DEFERRED REVENUE-Non-current	109,516	87,905
OTHER LIABILITIES	26,589	21,624
Total liabilities	434,799	376,393
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Common stock	161	156
Additional paid-in capital	388,632	317,026
Treasury stock	(2,995) (2,995)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	3,577	402
Retained earnings	89,094	43,765
Total stockholders' equity	478,469	358,354
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 913,268	\$ 734,747

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts)

Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended

September September September

30, 2012 30, 2011 30, 2012 30, 2011

REVENUE:

Product	\$ 63,027	\$ 53,093	\$ 177,923	\$ 139,945
Services	69,782	57,835	197,332	159,192
Ratable and other revenue	3,459	5,498	7,222	13,578
Total revenue	136,268	116,426	382,477	312,715
COST OF REVENUE:				
Product (1)	23,995	20,606	66,997	51,272
Services (1)	13,166	9,438	36,846	25,815
Ratable and other revenue	647	1,095	2,135	4,026
Total cost of revenue	37,808	31,139	105,978	81,113
GROSS PROFIT:				
Product	39,032	32,487	110,926	88,673
Services	56,616	48,397	160,486	133,377
Ratable and other revenue	2,812	4,403	5,087	9,552
Total gross profit	98,460	85,287	276,499	231,602

Research and development (1)		20,498		16,834		60,553		47,197
Sales and marketing (1)		44,743		36,934		131,038		105,548
General and administrative (1)		7,449		5,359		19,473		16,473
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Total operating expenses		72,690		59,127		211,064		169,218
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OPERATING INCOME		25,770		26,160		65,435		62,384
INTEREST INCOME		1,318		904		3,606		2,560
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)-Net		(317)		60		(315)		(242)
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INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		26,771		27,124		68,726		64,702
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES		9,565		9,207		23,397		18,704
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NET INCOME	\$	17,206	\$	17,917	\$	45,329	\$	45,998
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Net income per share:								
Basic	\$	0.11	\$	0.12	\$	0.29	\$	0.30
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Diluted	\$	0.10	\$	0.11	\$	0.27	\$	0.28
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Weighted-average shares								
outstanding:								
Basic		158,751		153,265		157,416		151,958
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Diluted		166,791		163,869		166,127		163,554
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(1) Includes stock-based								
compensation expense as follows:								
Cost of product revenue	\$	85	\$	64	\$	237	\$	129
Cost of services revenue		1,018		564		2,704		1,124

Research and development		2,525		1,516		6,774		2,954
Sales and marketing		3,879		2,708		10,797		6,289
General and administrative		1,323		882		3,416		2,178
	\$	8,830	\$	5,734	\$	23,928	\$	12,674
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited, in thousands)

	Three Mon	ths Ended	Nine Months Ended			
	September September 30, 2012 30, 2011		30, 2012	30, 2011		
Net income		\$ 17,917				
Other comprehensive income:						
Foreign currency						
translation	1,092	(1,722)	867	(797)		
Unrealized gains (losses)						
on investments	1,968	(1,347)	3,441	(1,194)		
Unrealized losses on cash						
flow hedges	(19)	(119)	-	(194)		
Tax provision related to						
items of other						
comprehensive income	(618)	_	(1,133)	_		

Net change in accumulated

other comprehensive income		2,423		(3,188)		3,175		(2,185)
Comprehensive income	\$	19,629	\$	14,729	\$	48,504	\$	43,813
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited, in thousands)

Nine Months Ended _____ September 30, September 30, 2012 2011 _____ CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net income \$ 45,329 \$ 45,998 Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: 8,076 5,114 Depreciation and amortization Loss on disposal of fixed assets 37 22 Amortization of investment premiums 10,002 9,508 Stock-based compensation 23,928 12,674 Excess tax benefits from employee (9,264) stock options plans (9,611) Other non-cash items, net 856 _ Changes in operating assets and

liabilities:

Accounts receivable-net	5,680	(3,559)
Inventory	(14,977)	(1,478)
Deferred tax assets	(4,515)	(5,546)
Prepaid expenses and other current		
assets	(71)	(1,009)
Other assets	1,885	312
Accounts payable	3,049	2,514
Accrued liabilities	2,662	4,867
Accrued payroll and compensation	1,563	1,582
Other liabilities	(1,361)	2,664
Deferred revenue	45,192	22,471
Income taxes payable	15,849	23,413
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Net cash provided by operating activities	133,573	110,283
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchases of investments	(523,389)	(407,110)
Sales of investments	25,768	75,582
Maturities of investments	343,174	204,099
Purchases of property and equipment	(20,283)	(2,785)
Payment made in connection with		
business acquisition	(749)	(2,623)
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Net cash used in investing activities	(175,479)	(132,837)
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	36,006	14,018
Excess tax benefit from employee stock		
option plans	9,611	9,264
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Net cash provided by financing activities	45,617	23,282

EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATES ON CASH AND CASH			
EQUIVALENTS	(2	35)	(957)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH			
EQUIVALENTS	3,4	76	(229)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS-Beginning of			
period	\$ 71,9	90	\$ 66,859
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS-End of period	75,4	66	66,630
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Reconciliations of non-GAAP results of operations measures to the nearest comparable GAAP measures

(Unaudited, in thousands)

Reconciliation of GAAP revenue to billings

	Three Months Ended				
	Sept	ember 30,	September 30,		
		2012	2011		
Total revenue	\$	136,268	\$ 116,426		
Increase in deferred revenue		8,710	1,927		
Total billings (Non-GAAP)	\$	144,978	\$ 118,353		

Reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to free cash flow

	Three Months Ended				
	September 30,	September 30,			
	2012	2011			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 40,770	\$ 36,039			
Less purchases of property and equipment	(16,428)	(1,335)			
Free cash flow (Non-GAAP)	\$ 24,342	\$ 34,704			
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Reconciliation of non-GAAP results of operations to the nearest comparable GAAP measures (Unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts)

Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP operating income, operating margin, net income and diluted net income per share

Three Months Ended September Three Months Ended September

30, 2012

30, 2011

	GAAP	Adjust-	Non-GAAP	GAAP	Adjust-	Non-GAAP
	Results	ments	Results	Results	ments	Results
Operating						
Income	\$ 25,770	\$ 8,352 (a)	\$ 34,122	\$ 26,160	\$ 5,191 (b)	\$ 31,351
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Operating						
Margin	19%		25%	22%		27%
		8,352 (a)			5,191 (b)	
		(2,377)(c)			(1,457)(c)	
Net Income	\$ 17,206	\$ 5,975	\$ 23,181	\$ 17,917	\$ 3,734	\$ 21,651
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Diluted net						
income per						
share	\$ 0.10		\$ 0.14	\$ 0.11		\$ 0.13
Shares used						
in per						
share						
calculations						
- diluted	166,791		166,791	163,869		163,869
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(a) To exclude \$8.8 million of stock-based compensation expense offset by\$0.5 million of patent settlement income in the three months endedSeptember 30, 2012.

(b) To exclude \$5.7 million of stock-based compensation expense offset by \$0.5 million of patent settlement income in the three months ended (c) To exclude the tax effects related to expenses noted in (a) and (b).

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