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Fortinet Introduces New Multi-Threat Security Systems With the Industry's Highest Performance Enterprise-Class Firewall

New FortiGate Series Delivers up to 120 Gbps Firewall Throughput, Breakthrough IPS Performance, and Application Security Through Its Modular Architecture

SUNNYVALE, CA, May 17, 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 two new flagship multi-threat security appliances that consolidate best-in-class firewall and Intrusion Prevention System (IPS) performance with advanced application-based security protection that is purpose-built for large enterprises.

The new FortiGate-3950B appliance delivers up to 120 Gbps of low-latency firewall inspection performance to help secure the most demanding enterprise environments, including high-speed data centers and network perimeters. Fortinet also announced the FortiGate-3951B appliance, which incorporates internal storage and can scale up to 100 Gbps of firewall performance. Both appliances feature a modular form factor for performance-on-demand and integrate the industry's broadest array of network and content security services to deliver complete content protection at a granular level. With today's announcement, Fortinet continues to advance the state of security from simple firewall "permit/block" functionality to ultra high-performance threat identification and prevention, with the added benefit of policy enforcement down to the application level. This is made possible through the integration of content-aware security technologies into the firewall to identify threats within trusted communications.

Flexibility, Scalability, and Performance for Large Enterprises The highly versatile FortiGate-3950B and FortiGate-3951B appliances can be deployed for a wide range of broad security services while also maintaining network performance, due to integrated WAN optimization and greatly enhanced firewall and IPS technologies. In addition to functioning as dedicated enterprise-class firewalls with tightly integrated IPS and complete application control and security, the FortiGate-3950B and FortiGate-3951B can also be deployed to include any combination of IPSec/SSL VPN, antivirus/anti-malware, web filtering, antispam, data loss prevention, and voice security services, all determined by the customer for maximum deployment flexibility.

"Enterprises, especially organizations with large and labyrinthine infrastructures, are rapidly evolving their network security beyond the binary 'allow/deny' model championed within standard firewall technologies," said Charles Kolodgy, research vice president, Security Products, with IDC. "Due to increasingly complex threats and network connectivity requirements, sophisticated and granular multi-threat prevention that is capable of operating at wire speed is becoming an absolute necessity. That said, enterprise customers are growing weary of having to manage discrete security devices and technologies. That's why consolidated solutions are becoming more important to enterprise customers who want to streamline security efforts without compromising the integrity of their strategic data center operations, network perimeters and organizational assets."

The FortiGate-3950B and FortiGate-3951B security appliances offer unmatched levels of security, price/performance, and scalability for large enterprise customers. This is accomplished by consolidating the broad security services of the FortiOS 4.0 MR2 operating system, custom hardware including FortiASIC processors, and a modular architecture for future growth.

Industry's Fastest Enterprise-Class Firewall and High-Performance IPS The FortiGate-3950B and FortiGate-3951B are the first security appliances to use the new Fortinet Mezzanine Card (FMC) form factor that enable the groundbreaking performance and scalability of each appliance. The FMC-XD2 accelerated interface module features dual 10-GbE interfaces that dramatically increase firewall and IPSec VPN performance. Customers have the option of scaling performance one module at a time, which offers significant investment protection. Using a maximum of five FMC-XD2 accelerators in a FortiGate-3950B appliance will deliver up to 120 Gbps of blistering-fast hardware-accelerated firewall performance (while a maximum of four modules can be utilized in a FortiGate-3951B appliance to achieve up to 100 Gbps firewall throughput performance).

The FMC-XG2 security-processing module also features dual 10-GbE interfaces that are designed to increase intrusion prevention performance significantly. Multiple modules can be added to the FortiGate-3950 series to deliver over 10 Gbps of hardware-accelerated intrusion prevention performance. This scalability affords enterprise customers the flexibility of deploying the FortiGate-3950 series appliances at performance levels that can be easily customized to their specific operating environment requirements.

The FortiGate-3950 series come standard with 10-GbE, GbE, and 10/100/1000 link speed interfaces. In addition, the FortiGate-3951B appliance is equipped with local solid-state disk (SSD) storage facilities with additional capacity for future expansion. Each rack-mountable appliance is available in a 3-RU form factor that is designed to preserve valuable real estate.

"For the last decade, Fortinet has successfully anticipated the security needs of large enterprises as they race to defend their

networks against ever-evolving threats," said Michael Xie, founder, CTO and vice president of engineering with Fortinet. "The next-generation multi-threat security appliances we're introducing today continue this tradition by delivering a highly-consolidated solution with groundbreaking security, performance, and scalability that is tailor made for enterprise customers."

Availability The FortiGate-3950B, FortiGate-3951B and FMC-XD2 products will begin shipping this quarter. The FMC-XG2 product will begin shipping in Q3.

About Fortinet (<u>www.fortinet.com</u>) 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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