

Fortinet Disrupts Security Market With New High-Performance Enterprise Edge/Data Center Firewall

New FortiGate-1500D Redefines Enterprise Price/Performance Bar

SUNNYVALE, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 11/19/13 -- Adding to its armory of high-performance data center firewalls, Fortinet® (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a global leader in high-performance network security, today launched a new enterprise firewall destined to disrupt the enterprise security market. This new firewall, the FortiGate®-1500D, delivers unparalleled price/performance in a flexible appliance form factor to meet any number of enterprise deployment scenarios, such as a campus edge, data center or even branch office.

Standout features of the new FortiGate-1500D include:

- Industry leading price/performance protection The FortiGate-1500D achieves 80 Gbps firewall throughput that sets a new standard of price per Gbps protected traffic:
- *High-performance next-generation threat protection* Additionally, the FortiGate-1500D provides 10 Gbps intrusion prevention and application control performance, which is five times faster than any comparable next-generation firewall;
- **Unparalleled processing power** Like the recently announced FortiGate-3700D, the new FortiGate 1500D utilizes the latest FortiASIC[™] NP6 network processor and CP8 content processor to provide higspeed cryptographic and content inspection services. This allows for accelerated content inspection and the ability to offload encryption/decryption, thus helping to ensure peak firewall performance.

"As enterprises re-architect their networks to take advantage of cloud services and rich content, high-performance security is essential to this next wave of infrastructure and development," said John Maddison, VP of Marketing at Fortinet. "With the new FortiGate-1500D, enterprises can have it all -- cutting edge network speed coupled with state of the art network security."

"Without a doubt, the move to faster network technologies is forcing enterprises to look at upgrading every moving part of their IT infrastructure, and firewalls are no different," said Jeff Wilson, Principal Security Analyst at Infonetics. "The need to add high-speed interfaces to firewalls (10G, 40G and eventually 100G) tops the list of drivers for investing in new high-performance firewalls."

Flexible for Today's Enterprise

The new FortiGate-1500D leverages FortiOS 5, the industry's most advanced network security operating system. As the OS foundation for all FortiGate network security platforms, it can be used across large or small enterprise infrastructures and multiple security application personalities. FortiOS 5 allows for flexible deployment modes within the enterprise using different firewall personalities, including firewall + VPN, firewall + IPS, NGFW, advanced threat protection and more.

To help ensure optimal uptime, FortiOS 5 also provides multiple forms of high availability (HA) such as Active-Active, Active Passive or Virtual Cluster. Depending on the configuration, failover times are in the sub-second range. Multiple HA deployment modes allow tight integration into different enterprise environments.

Optimized for Complex Network Needs

The FortiGate-1500D includes eight 10 GbE (SFP+) and 32 GbE ports in a high-density, compact (2U) appliance form factor. As enterprises build out new or redesign data centers, network segmentation is taking a more critical role in their architecture. The segmentation may be based on perimeter architecture, services, function or regulatory requirements and effectively separates networks physically or virtually to better provide security service level agreements. Fortinet offers physical, hybrid or virtual network segmentation via its virtual domain (VDOM) capability.

Leverages the FortiASIC Advantage

The FortiGate-1500D features the latest FortiASIC NP6 processor, which operates in-line with firewall and VPN functions to deliver several key benefits. These include wire-speed firewall performance at the network edge for any size packets, including IPv4 and IPv6; processing headroom to support NAT 46, NAT64, or NAT66; VPN control and provisioning of wireless access points (CAPWAP), and generic routing encapsulation (GRE) acceleration; anomaly-based intrusion prevention, checksum offload and packet defragmentation; and traffic shaping and priority queuing. All of this allows for high-performance protection, while eliminating performance bottlenecks.

Availability

The FortiGate-1500D is available in the U.S. now from authorized Fortinet resellers. For more information, please visit:

http://www.fortinet.com/products/fortigate/1500D.html

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