Fortinet Gains Three West Coast Labs Anti-Malware Certifications for FortiClient Endpoint Security Suite

Anti-Spyware Desktop, Anti-Trojan and Anti-Virus Desktop Certifications Validate FortiClient's Robust Security Offering

SUNNYVALE, CA and IRVINE, CA, Dec 16, 2009 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Fortinet(R) (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a leading network security provider and worldwide leader of unified threat management (UTM) solutions -- and West Coast Labs, part of the Haymarket Media Group and one of the world's leading independent test facilities for information security products and services, today announced that the Fortinet FortiClient(TM) Endpoint Security Suite has achieved three West Coast Labs Anti-Malware certifications including anti-spyware, anti-trojan and anti-virus desktop.

West Coast Labs' Checkmark Certification program is the world's fastest growing certification system for information security products and services. It is a highly regarded accreditation program, recognized globally by vendors, end users and government agencies as providing end-users with effective confirmation of a product or service's effectiveness in an ever-changing threat landscape.

The Checkmark Certification programs validate the functionality and performance of both content and network security technologies in a range of threat scenarios and attack vectors from standard baseline benchmarking tests against accepted industry standards, to Real Time testing that sees products under continuous test against zero-day real-world threats 24/ 7 365 days a year.

Fortinet's FortiClient Endpoint Security Suite extends the benefits of Fortinet's certified UTM gateway solutions to help provide secure access and end-to-end protection to large enterprises seeking centralized management and audit reporting. FortiClient provides a unified security agent for personal computers and as well as a modular antivirus, anti-spyware, personal firewall, anti-spam protection, IPSec and SSL VPN, Web content filtering, application control, end point monitoring and registry monitoring.

"Today's mobile network requires more stringent security at the end-point," said Lysa Myers, director of research, West Coast Labs. "We're delighted to report that Fortinet's FortiClient end-point security solution has passed the rigorous Anti-Malware tests and has therefore received this certification for anti-spyware, anti-trojan and anti-virus desktop protection."

"By passing different multi-threat attack scenarios and gaining three separate certifications by West Coast Labs, the FortiClient end-point security solution has demonstrated its ability to provide broad protection for the extended and mobile enterprise network," said Anthony James, vice president of products for Fortinet. "The new certifications are strong validation of the high quality and in-depth security of the FortiClient security suite."

Among other awards and certifications FortiClient has achieved are more than seven VB100 awards, including the latest Virus Bulletin comparative review on Windows 7 platform and the Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 140-2 levels 1 and 2 certifications from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

For more information on FortiClient Endpoint Security Suite, visit: http://www.forticlient.com. Or email forticlient@fortinet.com for an evaluation or demonstration.

About West Coast Labs Checkmark Certification

Checkmark is one of the world's leading certification systems for information security products and services. This highly regarded accreditation program provides a level of assurance across a wide range of technologies that products and services perform to industry accepted standards.

About West Coast Labs

Part of the Haymarket Media Group, West Coast Labs is a global leader in technical research, testing and the Checkmark Certification of information security products and services. With market-leading technology and testing facilities accredited to ISO17025 in the UK, USA and India, West Coast Labs' services and the Checkmark Certification System are being used by the leading global brands to create market advantage and by large business enterprises for obtaining crucial technical insight into product performance.

About Fortinet (www.fortinet.com)

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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