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NH Bank of South Korea Chooses Fortinet to Protect Critical Network Control Center

Bank Selects High Performance FortiGate(R)-3950B Next Generation Firewall With 20 Gbps Throughput and Industry-Leading Application Control and Web Filtering

SUNNYVALE, CA -- (Marketwire) -- 03/12/13 -- Fortinet® (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a world leader in [high-performance network security](#) -- today announced that NH Bank (Nonghyup Bank) of South Korea selected Fortinet's [FortiGate®-3950B](#) next-generation firewall (NGFW) as the core security solution to help protect its new network control center. NH Bank is the nationwide banking subsidiary of the National Agricultural Cooperative Federation (NACF), which is one of the world's largest cooperatives with more than 15 million associate members.

Facing a myriad of highly sophisticated attacks, NH Bank moved to bolster its core network security platform in late 2012. In particular, NH Bank required a high-performance security solution that could effectively control the bank's applications, enforce granular security policies based on individual users, provide Web filtering and optimize network traffic.

Furthermore, the required security solution had to be scalable and highly reliable in order to route Internet traffic from all of the bank's nationwide branches to its new centralized datacenter for unified, single-point policy control and management.

Nine major international and local security vendors, including Fortinet, Check Point and Palo Alto Networks participated in NH Bank's benchmark tests to demonstrate the system performance, security and management capabilities of their solutions.

"Fortinet's high performance during our benchmark testing met our security requirements and led us to select them as our next security vendor," said NH Bank's IT department representative. "Fortinet's results showed us what's possible with today's modern security technologies. We now see the FortiGate-3950B as the foundation to address all our security requirements for many years to come."

During the test, Fortinet's FortiGate-3950B outperformed the competition by delivering 20 Gbps of throughput for combined firewall, IPS and application control capabilities. Wire-speed performance was achieved for both 1,500-byte and 64-byte packets, which is critical for maintaining QoS of traditional wired, as well as mobile and VoIP traffic. This high performance across a range of packet sizes was one of the most important reasons NH Bank chose Fortinet over competing solutions.

The FortiGate-3950B also demonstrated outstanding application control and Web content filtering and monitoring. The appliance's superior application control and Web filtering security features and services are powered by [FortiGuard™](#) Labs, which currently supports nearly 2,500 applications and can support, with customization, any specific application as needed. With 79 categories and 108 million rated Websites, the FortiGate's Web filtering capabilities are also able to block undesirable content, thus improving employee productivity while lowering exposure to risk.

Since deploying the FortiGate-3950B, NH Bank has successfully standardized its network security environment. Even though network centralization increased Internet traffic at the control center, the FortiGate-3950B is able to rapidly process data while remaining easy to manage and configure. Policy set-up and changes for meeting compliance requirements are quick and simple to implement.

"Our enterprise-class security appliances regularly beat the competition in real-world tests. The FortiGate-3950B lives up to its performance promises, which is a testament to the technology and R&D innovation that we have put behind our solutions," said Patrice Perche, Fortinet's senior vice president for International Sales & Support. "We are committed to developing the best next generation firewalls on the market and bringing more security and control to financial services firms, government organizations and large enterprises around the world."

About FortiGate

Fortinet's FortiGate consolidated security systems are ASIC-accelerated appliances that integrate core security and network functions including firewall, SSL and IPSec VPN, application control, IPS, Web filtering, antispam/antimalware, data loss prevention, SSL traffic inspection and WAN optimization. The FortiGate platform's unique approach combines custom FortiASIC processors with latest generation general purpose CPUs to minimize packet processing and latency while accurately scanning the data for threats. Custom FortiASIC™ processors enable organizations to detect malicious content and connection-based threats at multi-Gigabit speeds.

In May 2011, the FortiGate-3950B was benchmarked by independent cyber security company BreakingPoint and received a Resiliency Score™ of 95/100 the highest published score on record. The BreakingPoint Resiliency Score is an automated

test based on industry standards for performance, security and stability of network and security devices. More information on that benchmark test can be found here: <http://investor.fortinet.com/releasedetail.cfm?releaseid=575747>

For more information on the Fortinet FortiGate-3950B series, please visit <http://www.fortinet.com/products/fortigate/3950series.html>.

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