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Tethernet Announces New TetherScan Anti-Virus Internet Appliance

TetherFilter's new TetherScan Internet appliance inserts a new level of protection into existing email infrastructures, providing an email firewall against virus attacks with easy deployment and low operating costs.

Belleuve, Washington (PRWEB) September 7, 2004 – Tethernet today announced the availability of the TetherScan 100 dedicated anti-virus Internet appliance. TetherScan employs an email message-processing engine capable of intercepting virus-carrying email messages quickly and effectively. The TetherScan appliance acts as an email firewall, providing immediate relief to dangerous email-borne viruses and is compatible with all existing Internet email servers.

"TetherScan offers easy to deploy email virus protection in an appliance form factor," said Tethernet CTO Mark Fischer. "This product is designed to be easy to deploy and manage, thereby reducing the overall costs of deploying an effective email anti-virus solution."

The threat of email-based viruses has increased dramatically, and an email anti-virus solution is a key step in preventing virus outbreaks from damaging corporate systems and reducing productivity. Typical email based viruses contain identifiable digital signatures and these signatures are often common between different virus due to their shared parental lineage and sources. Effective open source virus components are available on the Internet for transportation, replication and submission of email-based viruses, making the creation of new viruses quick and easy for malicious individuals. These components are continuously evolving, and the focus of new viruses has shifted from simple mischief to information espionage. This creates a more dangerous threat for businesses and organizations, which store sensitive information on their network. The need for an email anti-virus solution has never been greater.

The efficient 1U rack mount form factor appliance offers quick and simple deployment, requiring no changes to the existing email server. The TetherScan appliance can easily be deployed in conjunction with existing anti-spam solutions, adding a layer of anti-virus protection to the email infrastructure. Initial configuration is done via a front-panel graphic display and keypad. TetherScan offers near-zero administration with a pre-programmed configuration to effectively stop viruses. Through a web-based interface administrators can customize the engine according to business preferences. The appliance provides on-board storage to hold messages in quarantine keeping the actual email servers free from the burden of quarantine storage.

Tethernet's TetherScan offers a complete email anti-virus solution in an easy to deploy appliance. With anti-virus technology, near-zero administration and simple deployment TetherFilter can effectively stop the deluge of dangerous viruses into an email system.

Pricing and Availability. The TetherScan 100 is available immediately for \$2495. The product supports a message flow rate of up to 150,000 messages per hour with free virus definition updates and no per-user licensing fees. Support plan pricing begins at \$349 per year.

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About Tethernet. Tethernet is a privately held company with its headquarters in Bellevue, Washington. Tethernet develops email security appliances based on industry standard protocols. By providing an alternative to expensive and complicated proprietary and open source solutions, Tethernet offers customers the TetherFilter and TetherScan anti-spam and anti-virus solutions that simply plug into the existing infrastructure.

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