



New Paranet Virtual CISO Service Delivers Tighter Security and More Complete Compliance While Keeping Costs Down

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Plano, TX (PRWEB) January 22, 2008 -- Paranet Solutions, LLC, which applies extensive experience and proven expertise to create efficient, reliable and secure IT operating environments, today announced it is offering a new service that will enable small and medium size businesses to enjoy tighter security at a fraction of the cost of hiring a full-time Chief Information Security Officer.

"This is ideal for organizations that need an experienced, certified Chief Information Security Officer but don't have the budget for a staffer," said Paranet CEO Alan Bratton. "Our Virtual CISO will guide your IT security strategy and initiatives, help ensure compliance, and create policies and initiatives to protect your company's employees, data and brand image. The only difference is you're only paying for the CISO services you need - and you don't have to go through what can be a difficult search and hiring process."

Paranet's Virtual CISO program provides access to a certified Executive Security Manager for critical support, guidance, planning and decision-making regarding security and compliance. In addition to the direct cost savings, the program enables organizations to meet regulatory requirements that include PCI, HIPAA, SOX, GLB and others.

Paranet Virtual CISOs work with the executive teams to:

- * Manage the development and implementation of security policies, standards, guidelines and procedures
- * Meet regulatory and compliance goals
- * Oversee a network of security vendors and applications that provide intrusion protection, firewall management, PCI scanning and log retention

The Virtual CISO program also solves a significant problem for Fortune 500 companies: How to assure that their partners and others are secure.

"We're seeing a lot of enterprise-size organizations that are concerned about the security efforts of their trading partners - because a partners' problem can suddenly become theirs," said Thomas Kearns, CISSP, Paranet's Principal IT Security Architect. "We can address those issues, for example, by introducing a Partner Security Certification Program. Or we can offer fractionalized virtual CISO services to them, to immediately improve their security posture and gain peace of mind they otherwise couldn't afford."

Paranet's Virtual CISO services provides senior security managers who hold advanced security certifications such as the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), Certified Information Security Auditor, Certified Information Security Manager (CISM), Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), and Certificated Fraud Investigator (CFI). Each virtual CSO offers proficiency in communication, negotiation and leadership, as well as extensive knowledge of information technology and trusted security solutions.

"They're precisely the kind of people you'll want on your team," said Bratton.

About Paranet Solutions, LLC

Paranet Solutions applies extensive experience and proven expertise, along with its proprietary Compass methodology, to create fully connected, business-driven IT operating environments that are efficient, reliable and secure. A trusted advisor to Fortune 1000 companies across North America since 1991, Paranet offers expertise in virtualization and storage management; server optimization and consolidation; security and risk management; data center design, consolidation and relocation; unified communication; application services; and on-demand staffing. If your organization needs to get the most out of previous investments while efficiently migrating to new, business-enhancing technologies, contact Paranet today.

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