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BorderWare MXtreme Customers Unaffected By Microsoft Exchange and Outlook Web Access Security Vulnerabilities

DALLAS, TX and TORONTO, ON – October 24, 2003 – BorderWare Technologies Inc., The Security Appliances Company, today announced that customers of its MXtreme Mail Firewall Appliance are unaffected by the recently disclosed vulnerabilities in Microsoft Exchange Server and Outlook Web Access (OWA).

Cited in Microsoft security bulletins MS03-046 and MS03-047: The "Vulnerability in Exchange Server Could Allow Arbitrary Code Execution" problem identifies how an attacker can cause a buffer overrun that could permit them to essentially hijack an organization's email servers and run malicious programs in the security context of the SMTP service. The "Vulnerability in Exchange Server 5.5 Outlook Web Access Could Allow Cross-Site Scripting Attack" problem arises from a cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability in the way OWA performs HTML encoding in the Compose New Message form. An attacker exploiting the vulnerability can gain access to any user-accessible data belonging to the site. In addition to these two exploits, Microsoft has issued several bulletins specific to weaknesses in Microsoft Exchange's security, none of which affect MXtreme customers.

MXtreme provides comprehensive protection to email systems from any number of threats including spam, viruses or other attacks, and enables companies to safely deploy Outlook Web Access for remote mail by providing a secure proxy to Microsoft Exchange. MXtreme deploys in front of a company's email infrastructure and handles all email traffic including remote sessions. It ensures that Exchange servers cannot be directly accessed, and that remote users are secured by an encrypted session. MXtreme can also be used to enforce security policies for remote users such as strong authentication with tokens like RSA SecurID.

With as many as 78 million business users in the U.S. requiring remote access to corporate email, security ranks high on the minds of IT professionals. A survey conducted by Osterman Research, Inc. finds that 35.6% of IT decision-makers and end-users of information technology consider secure remote access for email as a "problem" or a "very serious problem" to contend with.

Such is the case for Eric Swanlund, Director of Engineering and IT Services, at managed IT and professional services company ThinOffice Inc., who has safely deployed Outlook Web Access using MXtreme for many customers. According to Swanlund, "Not having to worry about updating each and every operating system and Exchange server has given us peace-of-mind, reducing our security concerns for remote email access, while increasing the quality of service to our customers. With MXtreme, email is always up and running."

About MXtreme

MXtreme Mail Firewall is an "application-specific" security appliance, delivering the most comprehensive solution for protecting email systems from all threats. In addition to its integration of the market leading Brightmail® anti-spam and Kaspersky® anti-virus technologies, MXtreme prevents any number of threats to email systems from spam, viruses, Trojans and worms, to malformed messages and denial-of-service attacks, while enabling overall email server functionality, sophisticated routing and delivery, and secure remote access.

About BorderWare

BorderWare Technologies Inc. is The Security Appliances Company. The company's "application-specific" appliances for network firewall+VPN, email, DNS, and document collaboration, protect mission-critical network resources in sensitive environments and are deployed at various military, intelligence, defense and national security agencies, and corporations worldwide. BorderWare has affiliations and partnerships with some of the industry's most prominent companies in Internet infrastructure and security including Cisco Systems, Sun Microsystems, RSA Security, Brightmail, Kaspersky Labs, St. Bernard Software, BlueCat Networks and SSH Communications Security.

Founded in 1994, BorderWare is a private company headquartered in Toronto, Canada with offices in London, Frankfurt, Stockholm, Dallas, San Jose, and Washington DC. For more information visit www.borderware.com or call 1-877-814-7900.

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