

Tenable Delivers Solution to Meet OMB 2008 Federal Desktop Core Configuration Mandate

August 24, 2007 – Columbia, MD – Tenable Network Security, Inc., the leader in unified security monitoring and creator of the popular and award-winning Nessus vulnerability scanner, today announced it has released SCAP compatible solutions to assist Federal Agencies in complying with the [Office of Management and Budget's M-07-11](#) policy memorandum "Implementation of Commonly Accepted Configurations for Windows Operating Systems". This policy states that "agencies with those operating systems [Windows XP and Vista] and/or plans to upgrade to these operating systems must adopt these standard security configurations by February 1, 2008."

As described in the memorandum, The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Microsoft, the Department of Defense, and the Department of Homeland Security have now established a website hosting the virtual machine images, which can be found at: <http://csrc.nist.gov/fdcc>. This website also includes frequently asked questions and other technical information for adopting the Federal Desktop Core Configurations (FDCC).

Tenable's Security Center and Nessus Vulnerability Scanner are recognized by NIST as Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAP) compliant tools. The Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAP) is a method for using specific standards to enable automated vulnerability management, measurement, and policy compliance evaluation (e.g., FISMA compliance). Federal departments and agencies can use Tenable's Security Center and Nessus to verify configurations before deployment and then to monitor compliance with FDCC mandated configurations on an ongoing basis.

"Our research team is actively engaged with NIST on various fronts, including the SCAP Program, and we are pleased to be recognized as one of the tools available for Federal departments and agencies to meet this new FDCC requirement by OMB. We believe this extension of our compliance capabilities greatly assists our Federal customers to meet these mandates in a cost effective and efficient manner," says Ron Gula, CEO of Tenable.

For more information on NIST and SCAP Tools to support FDCC, please visit: <http://nvd.nist.gov/tools.cfm>. For further information about Tenable's solutions in meeting FDCC requirements, please visit: <http://blog.tenablesecurity.com/2007/08/federally-manda.html>

About Tenable Network Security

Tenable Network Security is the leader in unified security monitoring. Tenable provides agentless solutions for continuous monitoring of vulnerabilities, configurations, data leakage, and log analysis and compromise detection. Tenable's award-winning products are utilized by many Global 2000 organizations and Government agencies to proactively minimize network risk. For more information, please visit: <http://www.tenablesecurity.com>.

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