



Cymphonix Delivers Gateway Security and Performance Management in Single Appliance

Provides organizations with comprehensive visibility, protection and control over their network resources

New York City (Interop New York 2005)—Dec. 14, 2005—Cymphonix today announced the release of Network Composer Version 6, which delivers unified threat management and application performance control in a single, easily managed appliance. The new release provides organizations with increased visibility, protection and control over the use of network resources and enables them to optimize connections between distributed environments.

The unique combination of gateway security and performance management gives administrators a comprehensive look into their network to see potential threats, where those threats are originating and entering the network, and which applications or users are putting a strain on network resources. Network Composer also provides the tools necessary for managing security and performance, such as blocking threats, prioritizing mission-critical applications and throttling back non-essential traffic.

“With the new release of Network Composer, the flow of our network traffic is easy to manage and our systems are more secure. We can easily track our usage and bottlenecks and monitor and control our users’ Internet experience regardless of the machine they use to log in to the network,” said Bjorn Stacy of Atlantic Business Products. “Additionally, the one-click signatures provide an easy way to prioritize even our custom applications.”

Specifically, Network Composer provides protection against spyware, malware, adware, viruses, Trojan horses, inappropriate content and peer-to-peer illegal downloading by either functioning as the firewall or as a single appliance behind an existing firewall. It also delivers bandwidth optimization, application shaping and QoS (Quality of Service) control. New features in Version 6 include:

- **Identification and one-click control of all non-standard traffic** – While industry standards require application signatures for only standard traffic, Network Composer logs all traffic and allows users to create custom signatures with just one click. As a result, businesses can more easily identify and prioritize custom applications or throttle elusive, malicious traffic.

- **LDAP integration** – With the ability to scan, identify and control traffic by LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol) user profile, administrators can set policies and track activities for a user regardless of the machine they use to access the network.
- **Customizable, MAC-based authentication** – The capabilities of Network Composer can be extended to public networks so hot spots, libraries, schools and other public entities can block unwanted users or request payment, registration or verification of users who request access to the Internet resources.

Cross-Layer Intelligence

Network Composer utilizes the Cymphonix Cross-Layer Intelligence™ (XLi) engine, which scans traffic across all layers of networking communications, identifies undesirable content using industry-leading dynamic libraries and automatically shuts down malicious traffic and prioritizes mission-critical traffic according to the administrator settings. Unlike any other gateway security appliance, Network Composer analyzes traffic spanning the seven layers of the OSI (Open System Interconnection) Model, rather than just one or two layers, without creating noticeable latency.

Cymphonix President and CEO Kevin Santiago said, “The types of threats that can penetrate a network continue to evolve, and administrators are trying to plug the gaps with an assortment of appliances and software packages. Cymphonix provides a single appliance that helps organizations gather actionable intelligence on the security and performance of their network to keep it safe from threats and optimize bandwidth usage.”

Pricing and Availability

Network Composer Version 6 appliances are now available through Cymphonix channel partners starting at \$1,995 for 75 users. Current customers can upgrade at no additional cost. For more information, please visit <http://www.cymphonix.com>.

About Cymphonix

Cymphonix Corporation, headquartered in Sandy, Utah, uses patent-pending Cross-Layer Intelligence™ (XLi™) technology to provide unmatched network threat protection and resource optimization. With the powerful XLi engine, Cymphonix products seamlessly integrate network protection, application performance, and traffic visibility into a single, easily managed solution. Leading the Cymphonix product line is Network Composer, a next-generation intelligent gateway appliance that helps companies understand at a glance who is abusing network resources and with what applications – enabling problems to be corrected instantly through a clear, easy-to-manage interface. More information about Cymphonix can be found at <http://www.cymphonix.com>.

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