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NETSEAL TECHNOLOGIES JOINS WECA

Finnish software company to use its mobile security expertise to support WECA security initiatives

Espoo, Finland – July 16, 2001 – NetSeal Technologies, a Finnish software company producing a unique MPN (Mobile Private Network) solution that enables corporations, carriers and equipment manufacturers to offer secure yet standard-based IP-mobility, has joined the Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA), a nonprofit organization that promotes and certifies interoperability of Wi-Fi wireless LAN (WLAN) products.

“Topics such as emerging next generation networking technologies and a common need for security standards that support them have recently caused open discussion within the IT industry. We see WECA as an excellent forum for participating in this discussion and sharing our expertise on security issues”, said **Panu Pietikäinen**, CEO of NetSeal Technologies.

“Wi-Fi is attracting leading companies from around the world. As wireless LAN technology continues to grow, we expect significant contributions from companies like NetSeal to expand and enhance the user’s Wi-Fi experience. We warmly welcome NetSeal to WECA and look forward to their contribution to the Wi-Fi initiative”, said **David L. Cohen**, Chairman of WECA.

About NetSeal’s Products

As a solution for WLAN security and mobility, NetSeal Technologies’ RoamMate software enables the users to securely roam in corporate WLAN subnets and in WLAN hot spot areas without dropping packets or sacrificing security. Encryption in compliance with the IPSec standard, the IKE key

exchange protocol, and user identification are used to guarantee network data security. Each client is given a unique key, which prevents intruders from accessing the network.

With NetSeal's unique Mobile Private Network (MPN) architecture for seamless IP roaming, all users are securely connected to the network regardless of place, time, access media or terminal (laptop, PC, PDA, etc.). Uninterrupted connections are made possible by ~~automatic location update using IP~~ roaming and support for several different networks.

RoamMate provides wireless service operators with a tested and reliable product that enables them to leverage the new customer service potential of existing and next generation networks. End-users on the move are empowered with automated roaming that allows their terminals to be securely connected to the Internet. Users stay connected -and no system reconfiguration is needed when moving from one network node to another (LAN, WLAN, Bluetooth, Ethernet, modem, ISDN, CDMA, TDMA or GPRS). RoamMate also includes support for Network Address Translation (NAT), which allows the use of private IP addresses -on the client side.

During WECA's annual members meeting held in Helsinki, Finland on June 13 – 14, Pietikäinen introduced NetSeal Technologies' visions to an audience of almost one hundred specialists working for major WLAN equipment and software manufacturers.

About NetSeal Technologies

NetSeal Technologies is focused on developing software that enables IP mobility combined with high security. Founded in 1996, the company is headquartered in Espoo, Finland and employs 30 professionals. Operations are currently being expanded to international markets. Netseal will establish sales offices in the United States during 2001. The company's investors include Fidelity Ventures and CapMan Capital Management. NetSeal Technologies is a member of HP Mobile Bazaar and an active member of IETF influencing mobile IP and security standardization. For additional information, please visit www.netseal.com.

About the Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance

The Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA) is a nonprofit organization formed in 1999 to certify interoperability of Wi-Fi (IEEE 802.11b) products and to promote Wi-Fi as the global, wireless LAN standard across all market segments.

WECA has instituted a test suite that defines how member products are tested to certify that they are interoperable with other Wi-Fi-certified products. An independent test lab, Agilent's Silicon Valley Networking Lab, Inc. (www.svnl.com), conducts the testing. When a product successfully passes the test, the company will be granted the Wi-Fi seal of interoperability and may display the Wi-Fi logo on that product and its corresponding collateral material. This testing assures that products bearing the Wi-Fi logo will work with each other.

Membership in WECA is open to all companies who support the Wi-Fi standard, including any member manufacturer that would like to submit its Wi-Fi-based product for interoperability testing. WECA now comprises over 90 members. For more information, please visit www.wi-fi.org.