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IMPULSE POINT COMMITS TO MICROSOFT NETWORK ACCESS PROTECTION STRATEGY

Safe•Connect™ Offers a Comprehensive Approach to Managing Endpoint Security

TAMPA, Fla., March 20, 2006 – Impulse Point, a leading endpoint security provider for higher education and enterprise networks, today announced its ongoing support of Microsoft's Network Access Protection technology to help organizations manage and enforce endpoint security access policies.

Impulse Point, in combination with Microsoft Network Access Protection technology, offers customers a comprehensive solution for enforcing network access health requirements regardless of the enforcement mechanism, client agent configuration, or remediation services and infrastructure. Microsoft's Network Access Protection technology allows IT professionals to monitor and control network access based upon validation of a computer's compliance to pre-established policies. Microsoft's Network Access Protection technology will be publicly available with Beta 2 of Windows Vista, and available to select partners and customers with Beta 2 of the future version of Windows Server, codename "Longhorn."

"Managing access and establishing viral protection policies is critical, especially for organizations with employees working remotely and accessing the network through a variety of methods. It's so easy to pick up something malicious, not be aware of it, and spread it to throughout the network. Using solutions like Safe•Connect combined with Microsoft Network Access Protection technology affords the organization reliable protection," says David Robinson, CEO of Impulse Point. "We are proud to be an active supporter of the Microsoft Network Access Protection initiative."

"Impulse's Safe•Connect policy management solution is a welcome addition to Microsoft's Network Access Protection partner ecosystem," says Mike Schutz, group product manager, Windows Server Division. "Impulse Point brings to the ecosystem a broad knowledge of managing endpoint devices in a diverse and multi-vendor environment. By leveraging Microsoft Network Access Protection technology, Impulse Point can enhance customers' existing network access control systems."

The Impulse Safe•Connect™ solution enables an organization to take advantage of a robust endpoint security policy management system using their existing network infrastructure. The solution provides the ability to automate and enforce end user authentication, anti-virus, anti-spyware, Microsoft security patches, and illegal P2P music file sharing policies. Users blocked from accessing the network because they do not meet policy standards are provided guidance on how to resolve the situation.

About Impulse Point

Originally designed for higher education's highly scalable and vendor diverse unique environment, Impulse Point enables organizations to automate and enforce end user authentication, anti-virus, anti-spyware, Microsoft security patches, and illegal P2P music file sharing by using end point security policies. The result is a more secure, reliable, and available IT network infrastructure. Impulse Point (www.impulse.com) is headquartered in Lakeland, Florida and is one of Tampa Bay's premier technology innovators. Product and company names herein may be trademarks of their registered owners.

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