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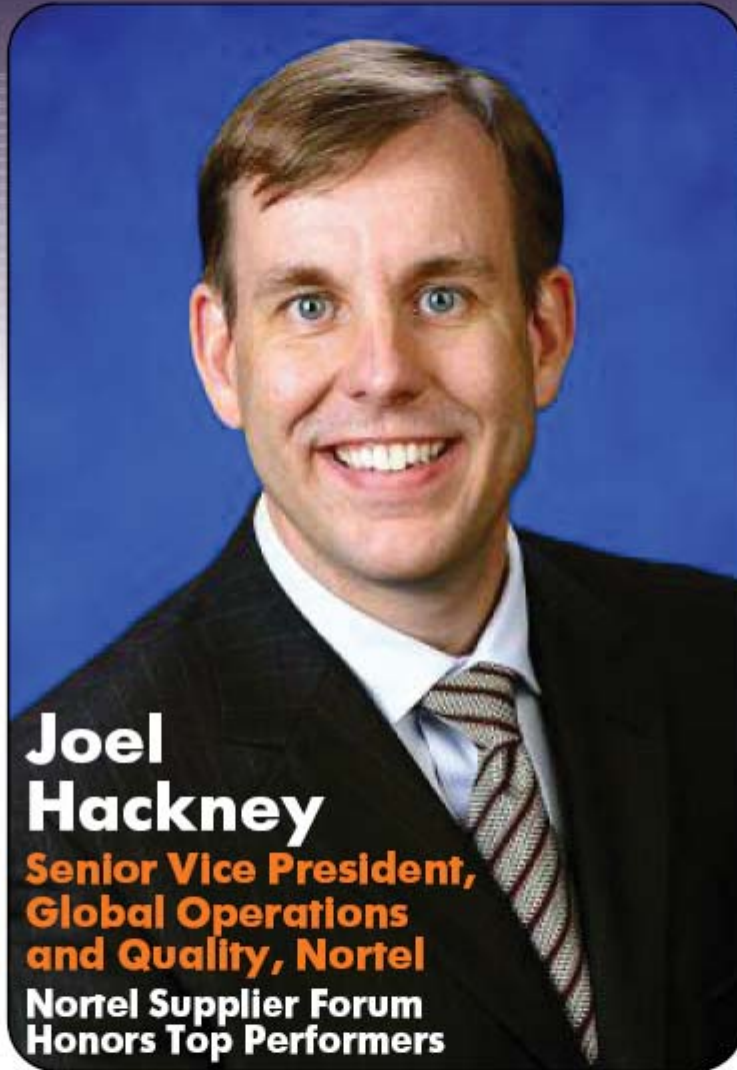
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Microsoft Confirms DNS Attacks

Software giant Microsoft confirmed that it has "very limited, targeted attacks" against its Windows Server DNS service. The attackers are trying to exploit a vulnerability in the DNS Service that may allow for arbitrary code execution to run with the same privileges as the DNS service itself.

"On Windows 2000 Server and Windows Server 2003 running the DNS Server Service an anonymous attacker could try to exploit the vulnerability by sending a specially..."

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**Raritan CommandCenter
NOC 250 Appliance**



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This package can monitor the activities and security compliance of up to 10,000 items.

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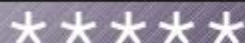
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Raritan CommandCenter NOC 250 Appliance

Summary: Keep tabs on various servers, computers and devices used in your network with the CC-NOC that receives our Editor's Choice Award for functionality and performance.

Price: \$11,995

www.raritan.com



When a network administrator or their department is responsible for the various appliances used throughout a medium-sized business environment, keeping an eye on the performance or certain types of issues can be a chore in

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configuration along with a DVD-ROM optical drive. The CC-NOC runs on a hardened version of the Linux operating system along with drivers and software specifically developed by Raritan. Off the bat, we think you'll find this appliance extremely easy to install in your network where it resides somewhere near the core of the environment. With proper network configuration, it is also able to go out-of-band (OOB) for use with other corporate network segments.

Once installed, simply give it several days to inventory all of the appliances and devices that are connected to the network. The result of this inventory is remarkably accurate although you may need to tweak a few of the items. With an affordable cost for a medi-

um-level operation, the appliance can monitor the activities of up to 25 Windows servers, 25 SNMP-enabled device and 250 networked PC clients. The company also sells a smaller version of this product with the CC-NOC 100 at roughly half the cost of this product.

information as well. As it monitors performance levels of the equipment and computers, an early indication of possible failure with the equipment is possible or to assist in tweaking the environment for maximum performance.

If your business wishes to reduce the manpower often necessary to keep network inventory at maximum performance, then check out the Raritan CommandCenter NOC 250 that has the capability of providing information to carry out that task. The cost this appliance is around \$11,995. You can find more information on this product as well as technical specifications on the company's web site that can be found at www.raritan.com.



itself. Spending less time performing this duty in lieu of more important assignments would increase the productivity of that individual in addition to reducing overhead to accomplish the job. Raritan, mostly known for their lineup of KVM appliances, manufactures a product that can accomplish this task with the CommandCenter NOC 250 that wins our Editor's Choice Award for functionality and performance.

The 1U rack-mountable CommandCenter NOC 250, also known as the CC-NOC 250 is powered by an AMD Opteron 146 processor, two 7200-RPM SATA hard drives that are setup in a RAID-1

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Administrator and management personnel will be impressed with the plentiful supply of reports available from the CommandCenter NOC 250 appliance that can provide data in a real-time presentation and the hard drives can contain historical

