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TIPPINGPOINT LAUNCHES MONKEYSPA^W,™ OPEN SOURCE PHISHING RESEARCH TOOL

Monkeys^{paw} Validates Legitimacy of Web Sites and Reports Fraudulent Sites

AUSTIN, TX. – October 9, 2006 –TippingPoint, a division of 3Com and the leader in intrusion prevention, today on the one year anniversary of launching Phishing Protection on its TippingPoint Intrusion Prevention Systems, announced that it has developed a phishing research tool known as Monkeys^{paw}. TippingPoint will release the code to the open source community for anyone to use or enhance. Monkeys^{paw} checks Web sites for legitimacy and reports fraudulent sites.

“TippingPoint is contributing Monkeys^{paw} to the public to help investigators analyze and report phishing and other malicious Web sites,” said Tod Beardsley, Monkeys^{paw} creator and lead counter-fraud engineer at TippingPoint. “By enabling security professionals and end users to easily validate Web sites and report fraudulent sites, we hope to make the Web a safer place.”

Monkeys^{paw} is unique in that it works with other open source tools like Mozilla’s Firefox, an open source Web browser. Monkeys^{paw} is used to determine the owner of a particular web server, collect web server configuration information, determine the location of the site, and finally, report fraudulent sites to nearly 50 international organizations through CastleCops. CastleCops reports malicious activity directly to groups including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Anti-Phishing Working Group, Korea Information Security Agency, and the Australian Computer Emergency Response Team. For full list of organizations that are notified regarding phishing sites, please visit: <http://www.castlecops.com/pirt>.

Through the open source community, the Monkeyspaw framework can receive extended testing and development. Users are encouraged to suggest and implement useful features, such as additional reporting capabilities, advanced analysis techniques, and extended cross-correlation. Monkeyspaw is freely available, and can be downloaded at the following site: <http://www.planb-security.net/userscripts/monkeyspaw-howto.html>.

To access more information on TippingPoint's Phishing Protection, please visit:

http://www.tippingpoint.com/technology_phishing.html.

About TippingPoint, a division of 3Com

TippingPoint, a division of 3Com, is the leading provider of network-based intrusion prevention systems. The TippingPoint IPS is the most decorated in its industry. For a full list of awards, visit http://www.tippingpoint.com/products_certifications.html. Our innovative approach offers customers unmatched network-based security with ultra-high performance, scalability and reliability. TippingPoint is based in Austin, Texas, and can be contacted through its Web site at www.tippingpoint.com or by telephone at 1-888-TRUE-IPS.

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3Com Corporation (NASDAQ: COMS) is a leading provider of secure, converged voice and data networking solutions for enterprises of all sizes. 3Com offers a broad line of innovative products backed by world class sales, service and support, which excel at delivering business value for its customers. Through its TippingPoint division, 3Com is the leading provider of network-based intrusion prevention systems that deliver in-depth application protection, infrastructure protection, and performance protection. 3Com also is the majority owner of Huawei-3Com Co., Ltd. (H-3C), a China-based joint venture formed by 3Com and Huawei in November 2003. H-3C brings innovative and cost-effective product development and manufacturing and a strong footprint in one of the world's most dynamic markets. For further information, please visit www.3com.com, or the press site www.3com.com/pressbox.

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