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**TIPPINGPOINT INTRODUCES THE FIRST SCALABLE, TRUE 10 GIGABIT
INTRUSION PREVENTION SOLUTION**

*TippingPoint Core Controller Provides Network Security Solution to Address Data
Center and Core Network Upgrades*

AUSTIN, TX – March 3, 2008 – TippingPoint, a leader in intrusion prevention, today announced the availability of the TippingPoint® Core Controller, an in-line, network-based appliance that enables 10 Gigabits per second (Gbps) of bi-directional traffic inspection by TippingPoint Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS) to protect network resources, operating systems and critical applications from malicious threats.

As enterprise networks evolve, 10Gbps network links have become relatively low in cost and increasingly more widespread. Core network upgrades driven by data center expansions, high performance computing and high bandwidth applications like video on demand and file sharing contribute to the adoption of 10Gbps networks. The need to inspect and remove malicious traffic at high throughput traffic points is now greater than ever. Network and security engineers realize intrusion prevention systems must be implemented not only at the WAN perimeter, but also between major network segments within core networks and in data centers.

“The TippingPoint Core Controller is a completely new approach to providing IPS scalability and redundancy for 10Gbps networks,” said Sean Charnock, VP of Business Development of Softlayer Technologies, Inc. “With over 100G’s of bandwidth capacity, Softlayer has chosen to use the TippingPoint solution because of its performance,

security accuracy and ease of manageability. The Core Controller is just further evidence of TippingPoint's innovation and commitment to comprehensive network security.”

Protect Network Resources and Critical Applications

The TippingPoint Core Controller is deployed as a ‘bump-in-the-wire’ network element for up to three 10Gbps network links. Traffic entering the Core Controller is intelligently flow balanced to a bank of TippingPoint IPS's where traffic inspection and enforcement are performed. Malicious and unwanted traffic is blocked and clean traffic is returned to the Core Controller for distribution to the appropriate 10Gbps egress link, allowing organizations to economically scale security traffic inspection and enforcement.

The TippingPoint Core Controller enables 10Gbps links to be protected by the TippingPoint IPS while ensuring high availability, performance, low latency and security accuracy. All TippingPoint appliances are purpose-built with the reliability to go in-line in enterprise and service provider networks. In addition, the Core Controller's high availability features; including redundant configurability, built-in zero power bypass (Smart ZPHA), IPS heartbeat monitoring, link down synchronization and hardware watchdogs; allow an unprecedented level of redundancy configuration to eliminate single points of failure.

“With the mainstream proliferation of 10 Gigabit Ethernet networks, traditional security products can no longer perform at the capacity and speed required for business continuity and compliance,” said Marc Willebeek-LeMair, CTO of TippingPoint. “The combination of the TippingPoint Core Controller and IPS enables enterprises and service providers to ensure the security of their network infrastructure keeps up with the demands of 10 Gbps bandwidth expansion without compromising network availability or user productivity.”

Add IPS Capacity Incrementally as Bandwidth Requirements Increase

The TippingPoint Core Controller offers organizations an economical entry for IPS protection on existing 10 Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) networks. They can purchase the IPS capacity initially required, and add more capacity as traffic inspection needs increase.

Further, organizations with existing TippingPoint IPS units initially purchased for lower speed network links can redeploy those units with the Core Controller for 10GbE protection. TippingPoint Core Controller's flexible deployment options provide a "pay-as-you-grow" model that allows organizations to easily leverage existing investments and increase their IPS capacity as bandwidth and security requirements evolve.

Accelerate Deployment with an Easy to Manage Solution

The TippingPoint Core Controller's Intelligent Learning Mode enables rapid deployment by analyzing network traffic on each 10GbE segment and providing recommendations for selecting the optimal flow balancing traffic algorithms – saving valuable configuration time for network and security engineers.

Both the TippingPoint Core Controller and IPS units are centrally managed by the TippingPoint Security Management System (SMS). The TippingPoint SMS enables comprehensive analysis and TippingPoint device inventory and health. With its policy-based operational model and auto-discovery features, the TippingPoint SMS quickly finds newly deployed TippingPoint devices and enables straightforward management of large-scale IPS and Core Controller deployments.

Recognize Return on Investment for 10 Gigabit Network Security

Coupled with the TippingPoint IPS, the Core Controller enables comprehensive protection at various enforcement points between major network segments within core networks and in data centers. By providing a lower cost of entry for IPS protection on 10Gbps network segments, TippingPoint helps organizations realize a significant return on their investment.

The TippingPoint Core Controller is now available and starts at \$59,995 USD list. For more information, visit www.tippingpoint.com/core_controller.

About TippingPoint

TippingPoint, a leader in intrusion prevention systems (IPS), provides the IPS-secured network, which delivers attack control, access control, and application control. Its foundation is the TippingPoint IPS, the most decorated in its industry with unparalleled performance and security, as evidenced by nearly 35 awards. For a full list, visit: http://www.tippingpoint.com/products_certifications.html. The IPS obtains evergreen protection from the Digital Vaccine[®] service, powered by DV Labs, the largest body of security researchers in the world. DV Labs is made up of expert internal researchers and over 600 Zero Day Initiative researchers. For more information on TippingPoint, please visit www.tippingpoint.com.

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