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The Barrier Groups' Barrier1™ New Generation UTM or Intelligent Threat Management (ITM) Appliance

ITM - Listen, Learn, Predict and React = Effectiveness

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – Date – The Barrier Group announces another major breakthrough in network security. Barrier1™ now has a web application firewall as part of its comprehensive network security platform.

Web application firewalls are an important security component in today's ever changing IT environment. Application attacks can't be prevented by traditional firewalls or intrusion prevention systems. Present IDS systems alone are not adequate to achieve the ultimate goal of being 100% effective against network compromises. IDS does not do a good job at layer 7 type of attacks. Thus an IDS alone will not suffice for PCI compliance. Attacks are perpetrated by exploiting the web server. The attackers enter through the same open door in perimeter defenses that customers use to access the web site. Without an effective web application firewall malicious activity can't be distinguished from normal everyday traffic.

Developed by four major credit card companies, the PCI standard requires that any transaction or account information given to a merchant remain confidential and safe from unauthorized access. By September, 2007, many merchants who accept credit cards will be required to demonstrate compliance with PCI DSS version 1.1.

“By incorporating the Barrier1 appliance with the new application firewall organizations can meet a majority of the network requirements defined by the PCI Data Security Standard.” said Steve Sahl, Chief Executive Officer of The Barrier Group.

The Barrier1 security appliance is available directly through The Barrier Group. For more information, contact The Barrier Group toll-free at 877-230-6789, or email sales@thebarriergroup.com.

About The Barrier Group:

Founded in 2004 and selling since 2005, The Barrier Group is the first company to provide a ITM security appliance able to combat both simple and complex threat adding 24 x 7 monitoring and continuous software update while meeting the demands of NAC. The company's flagship product, Barrier1™ comes in hardware configurations to meet the needs of the smallest to the largest organization. Headquartered in Twin Cities, The Barrier Group is privately held. Visit www.thebarriergroup.com for more information.

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