

Secure Remote Working from Network Defence Helps CSG Maintain Effective Business Operations

*Flexible contingency planning solution saves time and money and supports
business continuity*

29 March, 2010 – Consultant Services Group (CSG) has deployed a secure remote access solution from leading IT security specialist Network Defence. The solution enables cost-effective, secure flexible remote working for staff, helping to maintain effective business operations to support business continuity.

CSG required a solution that would enable management, sales and operational staff to easily and efficiently access business applications from home, forming a key element of their business continuity plans. Network Defence installed AppGate's Security Server at CSG's offices, boosting flexibility and productivity by enabling staff to access the company network securely from any location.

A key benefit of the solution is that, as well as providing a robust level of remote access security when they need it, it gives the company close management over users' access, giving them the ability to grant or restrict access rights depending on individual needs. Additionally, the solution is able to accommodate third party access if required by the organisation.

Stuart Hansord, IT Systems Manager for CSG, said: "The severe weather conditions earlier this year have cost businesses millions of pounds through lost productivity due to absent staff. With the AppGate Security Server our employees who weren't able to get into the office were able to quickly and easily access their email and other applications from home, helping them to continue working and us to maintain effective business operations.

"As well as helping to support business continuity the remote access solution allows us to offer our employees a more flexible approach to working without

worrying about data security. Having worked previously with them, Network Defence have a very good understanding of our business. Their expertise and knowledge not only instils confidence, but also ensures we get the solution that is right for us.”

As part of the deployment Network Defence implemented the AppGate Security Server solution with Nordic Edge two factor authentication. The solution securely accesses the protected network from a remote device using authentication, encryption and access restrictions.

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