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Fortinet Founder & CEO to Present at Datacenter Ventures

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Sept. 15, 2003 — Fortinet – the only provider of ASIC-powered, network-based antivirus firewall systems for real-time network protection – today announced that founder and CEO Ken Xie will present at Datacenter Ventures.

Datacenter Ventures presents a carefully selected group of promising private companies that are rapidly changing the market for enterprise security, storage and data management.

Xie will present in a dedicated company track for emerging growth network security companies. Xie's presentations will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 17, at 9:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Pacific time, at the Sofitel, Redwood Shores, Calif., and will address major trends and market directions in the antivirus and firewall/VPN markets.

Xie, Fortinet's founder, president and CEO, has over 15 years of technical and management experience in the networking and security industries. Xie was founder, president and CEO of NetScreen, the leading supplier of firewall appliances. He was also the lead security architect with Healtheon (now WebMD) and with Philips.

About Datacenter Ventures 2003 (www.datacenterventures.com)

Datacenter Ventures 2003, sponsored by VentureWire and Technologic Partners (now part of Dow Jones & Co.), presents a carefully selected group of promising private

companies that are rapidly changing the market for enterprise security, storage and data management. The event offers a first-hand look at critical mass of emerging start-ups – potential investment targets, partners, suppliers and customers.

About Fortinet (www.fortinet.com)

Fortinet's award-winning FortiGate™ series of ASIC-accelerated antivirus firewalls, winner of the 2003 Networking Industry Awards Firewall Product of the Year, are the new generation of real-time network protection systems. They detect and eliminate the most damaging, content-based threats from email and Web traffic such as viruses, worms, intrusions, inappropriate Web content and more in real time – without degrading network performance. FortiGate systems also deliver a full range of network-level services – including firewall, VPN and traffic shaping – in addition application-level services in integrated, easily managed platforms. Fortinet, named to the “Visionaries” category in the 2003 Gartner Enterprise Firewall Magic Quadrant, is privately held and based in Santa Clara, California.

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