

STONESOFT APPOINTS WHITEGOLD SOLUTIONS AS AUSTRALIAN DISTRIBUTOR

SYDNEY, Australia - February 12, 2003 - Stonesoft Corporation (HEX:SFT1V), a leading provider of enterprise-level security and high availability software, today announced that the company has appointed WhiteGold Solutions as Australian distributor for its products including StoneGate, the company's award-winning high availability firewall and VPN solution.

WhiteGold Solutions is now responsible for the fulfillment and support of Stonesoft's reseller partners in Australia. The company will also be involved in continuing end-user lead generation, and plans to generate additional revenue opportunities for resellers by marketing the benefits of ongoing Stonesoft maintenance.

WhiteGold Solutions sees a strong market opportunity for an alternative firewall and VPN solution for medium to large organisations, according to Jonathan Odria, National Sales Manager for WhiteGold Solutions. While distributing Stonesoft's entire range of products, the "primary focus" will be on the StoneGate high availability firewall and VPN solution, he said. "StoneGate offers a number of benefits over competing products, including its built-in clustering capability, multiple ISP support and Linux-based kernel."

Matthew Butler, Stonesoft's Acting Territory Manager - Australia & New Zealand, said he was delighted to appoint a distributor with a strong focus on IT Security, backed up by experience and expertise within the space. "WhiteGold Solutions is an important asset for Stonesoft and its resellers, providing logistical, technical and marketing support to continue to grow the market for Stonesoft's next-generation enterprise firewall and VPN solution."

LAN Systems New Zealand will continue as Stonesoft's distributor in New Zealand.

ABOUT WHITEGOLD SOLUTIONS

WhiteGold Solutions (www.whitegold.com.au) is a value-add distributor (VAD) in the Australian IT channel. The company's strategy is defined as "niche-on-niche" - niche products into niche markets. This strategy gives resellers better margins, services, support and (ultimately) better value in all solutions involving the WhiteGold Product Portfolio. The company was incorporated in Australia in 2002 by seasoned IT security identities with experience across sales and marketing, technical capabilities and channel knowledge in this space. The company provides products to resellers encompassing the SME, corporate and enterprise sectors - with key niche verticals within each.

ABOUT STONESOFT CORPORATION

Stonesoft Corporation (HEX:SFT1V), founded in 1990, is a worldwide software company, with international headquarters in Helsinki, Finland; Americas headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia; and Asia Pacific regional headquarters in Singapore. Stonesoft provides enterprise-level network security and high availability clustering technology for companies deploying business-critical network applications on Internet and mobile servers.

Stonesoft's StoneGate™ is a firewall and VPN solution providing advanced security, dynamic load balancing and high availability. StoneBeat® clustering products provide the same functionality for third-party firewalls, Web and content scanning in wired and wireless environments. All of Stonesoft's solutions are designed to Enable the Secure, Highly Available Enterprise(SM). For more information about Stonesoft and its products and services, please visit <http://www.stonesoft.com>. (continued - see below for picture)

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