

- Blocks 100% of spam messages by employing an advanced challenge/response system to thwart automated messages
- Processes 3.6 Mbps of aggregate throughput while simultaneously scanning for viruses, worms, Trojans and other malicious traffic
- Yields 24 Mbps of aggregate throughput over a VPN connection between two locations while handling 1,400-byte packets
- Supports aggregate throughput of 171 Mbps while actively screening traffic in firewall mode
- Demonstrates resiliency to service outages by utilizing a failover port to cut over to backup DSL, cable or dial-up connections

A hands-on examination of Wiresoft Net, Inc.'s Sentry Security Platform shows that the bundled solution for small-to-medium businesses (SMBs) delivers on the promise of business continuity, increased productivity, self-maintaining reliability, and expandability in a single solution.

The dilemma that SMBs face today is that the IT market abounds with supplier after supplier that offer point solutions for security. Yet these are not practical solutions for SMBs since buyers must struggle to integrate point products into existing networks.

Sentry Security Platform bundles a variety of security services including transparent virus scanning, challenge response spam blocking, stateful packet firewalling, VPN services (PPTP and IPSec) and more.

Tolly Group tests show that Sentry Security Platform blocked 100% of the spam messages it encountered, and delivered 100% of the legitimate mail. The Tolly Group also tested Sentry Security Platform's ability to detect and stop a variety of common viruses at the network edge. Sentry Security Platform was able to sustain 3.6 Mbps of aggregate zero-loss throughput for five minutes in "steady state" with no unsuccessful HTTP transactions reported while simultaneously scanning for viruses.

Tests also verified that the Sentry Security Platform automatically updates its local list of virus definitions and response database every two hours. That means that in the likelihood of a sudden virus outbreak propagating through the Internet, Sentry Security Platform likely will have an updated anti-virus profile to defend against and repel the attack.

# Tests reveal that Wiresoft Security Platform hits the mark for SMBs

The Tolly Group also verified the Wiresoft solution's VPN capabilities, including Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol (PPTP) and IPSec support for VPN connections. Among the VPN findings, tests show that Sentry Security Platform sustains up to 24 Mbps of zero-loss throughput across a single-tunnel configuration supporting IPSec and 1,400-byte packets. Further, firewall testing revealed that Sentry Security Platform delivers 171 Mbps of bidirectional aggregate throughput when handling 1,518-byte frames in firewall mode.

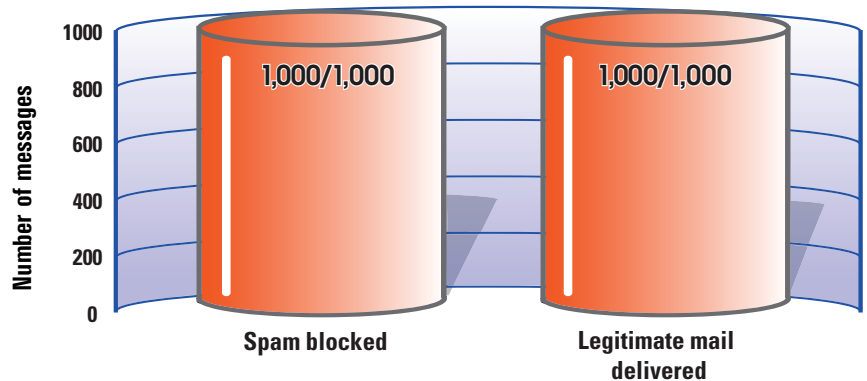
The hands-on evaluation also examined a number of important features, such as simplified setup, a monitored service offering to perform preven-



tive maintenance on other Sentry systems on the Internet, reliability factors, scalability and failover features.

The Sentry Security Platform's feature/function packaging for SMBs thoroughly impressed Tolly Group engineers.

## Effectiveness of Sentry Security Platform at Blocking Spam



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- Sentry Security Platform version 7.3

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