

U.S. GSA TESTS AND APPROVES DATAPOWER'S LEADING XML WEB SERVICES SECURITY GATEWAY FOR U.S. AGENCIES

Latest Security Certification Advances DataPower's Validation for Government-grade Security; Augments DataPower's Leading Certifications including Common Criteria's EAL4 Assurance Level & DoD's Jointed Interoperability Test Command Certification

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.--July 6th, 2005-- DataPower®, the leading provider of XML-aware networking solutions, announced today that the <u>DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway</u>, the most widely deployed XML Web services security solution by Global 1000 and government agencies, has been approved for use under the E-Gov E-Authentication Initiative (See: http://cio.gov/eauthentication/) charged with delivering open standards-based authentication solutions to U.S. government agencies. DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway has been added to the Approved E-Authentication Technology Provider List and cleared for use by US government agencies implementing E-Authentication.

Based on rigorous testing at the General Services Administration's (GSA) E-Authentication Interoperability Lab, the E-Authentication Initiative approval further extends DataPower's lead in government-grade Web services security. DataPower's message-level network devices are especially well suited to government applications:

- Broadly deployed in production networks by both public sector and private sector customers over the past 5 years.
- Certified by DoD's Jointed Interoperability Test Command (JITC) (See: Department of Defense Certifies DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway)
- In evaluation for Common Criteria EAL4 (See: <u>DataPower First Web Service Security Vendor to Undergo Common Criteria "EAL4 Assurance Level"</u> Evaluation).
- Validated at two GSA-sponsored SAML Interop events (See: <u>DataPower XS40</u> Hardware Validated for Federated Identity and XML Web Services Security at SAML Interoperability Lab at RSA 2005)
- Deliver robust ebXML capabilities (See: <u>DataPower Certified "Interoperable"</u> with Cyclone Commerce For Providing Secure ebXML and High-Performance B2B Networks).
- Fit within Federal Enterprise Architecture (FEA) and based on open standards.
- Supported by DC-area office (See: <u>DataPower Brings Application-oriented</u>
 <u>Networking to Government Sector; Ends Free Loaner Program</u>) and leading
 government integrators such as SAIC, BAE Systems, Booz Allen and Northrop
 Grumman.
- Listed on GSA Approved E-Authentication Technology Providers list after successful testing by E-Authentication Interoperability Lab, including SAML testing.

"DataPower's validation for GSA's E-Authentication list is yet another example of our long-standing commitment to serving government entities and providing the highest levels of security assurance," said Bret Hartman, Vice President of Technology Solutions at DataPower. "Our ability to seamlessly deploy the highest solid-state security solutions to our customers has proven DataPower's credibility and reliability not only in the government marketplace, but also with private sector customers who continue to seek independent validation of vendors' security claims."

GSA's E-Authentication Initiative sets the standards for the identity proofing of individuals and businesses, based on risk of online services used. The initiative focuses on meeting the authentication business needs of the E-Gov initiatives, building the necessary infrastructure to support common, unified processes and systems for government-wide use. E-Authentication builds the trust that must be an inherent part of every online exchange between citizens and the Government.

The DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway acts as a highly secure hardware policy enforcement point to perform authentication, authorization, audit and accounting functions based on the source, transport and content of incoming requests or XML transactions. In addition to XML access control and full support for SAML token authentication, the XS40 also includes many other essential security functions, for example a full XML Firewall for protecting against XML threats, XML Encryption and XML Digital Signature, WS-Security and content-based routing. All integration is based on DataPower's innovative AAA Framework. DataPower has been successfully implementing Web Services security and XML acceleration solutions since 1999 and is the most widely deployed XML Web services security device with government customers in both state and federal government organizations (See: DataPower Brings Application-oriented Networking to Government Sector; Ends Free Loaner Program) including the US Department of Defense, U.S. Veterans Affairs Administration, and the Massachusetts's Department of Revenue.

About DataPower

DataPower provides enterprises with intelligent XML-Aware network infrastructure to ensure unparalleled performance, security and manageability of next-generation applications and XML Web Services. DataPower's patented XML Generation Three (XG3TM) technology powers the industry's first wire-speed XML-aware networking devices that provide immediate return on technology investments while streamlining application deployments. Founded in 1999, DataPower is privately held and based in Cambridge, MA. For more information about DataPower Technology, please contact 617-864-0455 or visit www.datapower.com

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