



DATAPOWER WINS DEAL TO SECURE US DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY'S (DISA) NET-CENTRIC SERVICES

Based on its Government-grade Security, Reliability and Performance, XS40 Security Gateway Selected to Secure Net-Centric Warfare Grids by DoD's Internal Network Service Provider

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.--August 8th, 2005-- DataPower®, the original creator and leading provider of intelligent XML-Aware Network (XAN) hardware, today announced that they have secured a contract from the US Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) for the [DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway™](#) to support the Net-Centric Enterprise Services (NCEs) Service Security. NCEs is designed to achieve global interoperability within the United States Department of Defense (DoD) and considered one of the major components of the Global Information Grid, DoD's global network for both classified and non-classified data. GIG ES will provide complete, real-time access to reliable and critical, quality information through the use of cutting-edge, Web-based, networked services. GIG ES is aimed at improving the decision-making ability of military services and business information owners by transforming the way they receive and access information.

DataPower is the most widely deployed provider of XML-aware networking devices to enable enterprises, service providers and government organizations worldwide to secure, accelerate and manage XML, Web services and message networks, including information grids. For over 5 years DataPower has been successfully implementing XML acceleration and Web services security solutions in the government sector (See: [DataPower Brings Application-oriented Networking to Government Sector; Ends Free Loaner Program](#)), with such customers as multiple US Department of Defense agencies, Veterans Affairs Administration, the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, SAIC, BAE, and Booz Allen Hamilton. By adding the DISA NCEs Program to its strong list of Federal customers, DataPower demonstrates both the considerable momentum of XML-aware networking in the government space and its leadership in this demanding sector.

DataPower's message-level network devices are especially well suited to government applications:

- 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: [DataPower First Web Service Security Vendor to Undergo Common Criteria "EAL4 Assurance Level" Evaluation](#))
- Validated at two GSA-sponsored SAML Interop events (See: [DataPower XS40 Hardware Validated for Federated Identity and XML Web Services Security at SAML Interoperability Lab at RSA 2005](#))

- Deliver robust ebXML capabilities (See: [DataPower Certified "Interoperable" 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 new DC-area office and leading government integrators such as SAIC (See: [DataPower Broadens Its XML Networking for Government Initiative with SAIC Reseller Agreement](#)), 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.

"DISA along with other military and civilian agencies are rapidly building out XML Web service networks at Internet scale and purchasing DataPower hardware to provide content-based message routing, government-grade message-level security and centralized Web services access control," said Mark Taber, Vice President of worldwide sales at DataPower. "DISA's selection of DataPower is strong validation for both DataPower's high-end product features and the need for highly secure, reliable, high performing XML-aware network hardware in military operations."

Powered by DataPower's [patented wirespeed XML processing technology](#), the DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway is a member of DataPower's award-winning, application-oriented networking solution portfolio including the [DataPower XA35 XML Accelerator](#); the [DataPower XI50 Integration Appliance](#); and the gigabit-speed [XG4 XML Chipset for OEMs](#). The XS40 XML Security Gateway combines hardened security, wirespeed performance and sophisticated, patent-pending algorithms for XML threat protection and access management, including XML firewall, XDoS protection, SOAP filtering, fine-grained access control, XML schema validation, digital signatures, field-level XML encryption, XML/SOAP routing and service virtualization.

The XS40 provides both comprehensive standards support (such as WS-Security 1.0, Liberty Alliance/SAML 1.0/SAML 2.0, WS-Trust, WS-Policy, WS-SecureConversation, XACML, XPath, XKMS, WSDM, SSL, LDAP, and RADIUS), and integration with existing security, management, network, and application infrastructure (Nortel, F5's BIG-IP, Redline Networks (now Juniper), IBM WebSphere, MQ Series, Tivoli, Tivoli Federated Identity Manager, BEA WebLogic, CA eTrust, CA Unicenter, RSA, Sun Identity Server, Netegrity, Oblix and others).

DataPower's contract win with DISA for the Net-Centric application was facilitated through Merlin Technical Solutions, a service-disabled, veteran-owned, SBA-certified 8(a) company that combines professional services with best-in-class information technology products, innovative financing programs and access to numerous contract vehicles to provide the public sector with total solutions that span the technology lifecycle. Today, more than 500 clients throughout the government like DISA count on Merlin's expertise to help them define, integrate, deploy, and maintain systems and

networks that align information technology with program and business goals. For more information on Merlin please go to www.merlincs.com.

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 (XG3™) 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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