



Comodo Firewall Actively Guards Against New Malware Variant & Zombie Threats Through Malware Signature Technology.

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Comodo Free Firewall V 2.2 outperforms most paid versions by detecting malware and preventing the malware from making outgoing connections thus rendering the malware ineffective

PR9.NET June 23, 2006 - Jersey City, NJ - Comodo, a global leader in Identity and Trust Assurance Management solutions, through its AV Labs today identified a new variant of malware that Comodo Personal Firewall V2.2, one of the most powerful personal firewalls on the market today, defends against. Comodo Personal Firewall renders malware impotent by preventing malware from making outgoing connections needed to harvest confidential consumer information. This solution provides one of the highest levels of protection and control against known and emerging threats with its default, 'out-of-the-box' settings and is free of charge to the end user without any renewal, license or subscription fees.

According to Microsoft, (June 12, 2006), over 60% of PCs have malware that turns PCs into "zombies" - allowing fraudsters to distribute relay spam and cyber attacks. Additionally, hackers often steal the victim's data and install spyware and adware on PCs to earn a kickback from the spyware or adware maker. These variants of malware are both difficult to detect and defend against. Comodo Firewall both identifies these types of virus and does not allow them to make the outgoing connections they require to be effective.

This release of Comodo Firewall is suitable for both home users and corporate networks alike, and includes such features as inbound and outbound packet filtering in combination with robust outbound application filtering at the network layer. The new-look interface facilitates quick and easy access to all major settings, including the powerful and highly configurable security rules interface.

The latest release builds on the overwhelmingly positive reception of Comodo's Personal Firewall V1.0, (e.g. PC Magazine Editor's Choice) with new features and functionality including

- * Advanced network, application and application component monitoring
- * Completely redesigned interface including 'Smart' pop-up alerts
- * More powerful and intuitive security rules interface
- * Full Application Behavior analysis
- * Improved application activity control
- * Windows security center integration
- * New application recognition database

A full list of new features can be found at http://www.personalfirewall.comodo.com/whats_new.html

Further, Comodo Firewall has been proven to have one of the most advanced detection capabilities available as evidenced by that fact that Comodo's Firewall is virtually the only firewall to successfully detect and block all known sophisticated 3rd party 'Leak-Test' utilities including the BITS Leak Test ("Background Intelligent Transfer Service"). This test analyzes whether a firewall can detect when viruses exploit a Windows connectivity feature that allows files to be downloaded without being detected. This Microsoft feature provides a very efficient leak point that malware can leverage. Comodo Firewall is the only firewall documented to pass this leak test. Furthermore, it was the only firewall to pass Comodo's own 'Parent Injection Leak Test' developed by Comodo's Digital Trust Lab to emulate a hacker technique typically used in outbound Trojan attacks.

Comodo is delivering this highly rated firewall free to consumer as a cornerstone of an initiative to empower consumers to create a safe and trusted online experience whenever they go online. This new initiative will make available free forever (no license or update fees either) leading tools that consumers normally would pay hundreds of dollars for and include; ability authenticate web identities in real time (www.VEngine.com), free anti virus software, free email certificates for secure email encryption, secure BackUp for backing up files on your PC and iVault for password management and launching secured Internet sessions. All these products are offered free for the lifetime of the PC because Comodo, as one of the world's leading Certification Authorities is committed to enabling a safe and authenticated Internet with true e-identity and e-business authenticity.

Comodo Personal Firewall is available for download now. For more information go to: www.personalfirewall.comodo.com

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