



Easynet Connect launches Managed Firewalls

State of the art protection against Internet threats and spam
without affecting network speed

No extra charge for each user added to the service

Immediately available to existing and new Easynet Connect customers

London, 28th June 2010 – Easynet Connect, one of the leading internet service providers (ISPs) for small to medium size businesses, today announced the launch of [Managed Firewalls](#) - a range of fully managed security services from Fortinet, a top supplier in Internet security equipment, to help SMEs in the fight against Internet threats.

Easynet Connect Managed Firewalls is part of the award-winning FortiGate product series and is available as an added value service to fully manage a [business's network security](#). Easynet Connect's Managed Firewalls start at the very competitive price of £350 for set-up and £500 per year. By acting as a filtering service, the new firewalls help protect against day-to-day threats like spam, but also defend against serious attacks like viruses and Trojans.

To ensure the best possible service, Easynet Connect's Managed Firewalls are monitored and supported by Easynet Connect's own dedicated 24/7 support team, all of whom have been put through an extensive Fortinet training programme. By offering a fully managed service, Easynet Connect lets businesses bypass the hassle and cost of monitoring their own in-house equipment, giving them extra capacity to focus on their core activities as well as ensuring equipment and settings are up to date.

Unlike most other ISPs, Easynet Connect's Managed Firewalls are available to customers at a flat rate, so there is no extra charge for each user added to the service. They are also flexible, with a wide range of options to suit individual bandwidth requirements, making it even easier for businesses to adapt the service to suit their needs.

Easynet Connect's managing director, Chris Stening, explains, "Over 73% of SMEs were victims of cyber attacks last year¹ and on average spam makes up around 89% of all emails passing

through business networks². We recognise that businesses have to protect themselves against constant web threats but don't necessarily have the time to do so. By offering managed firewalls, firms can be safe in the knowledge that web-filtering, spam and viruses are all taken care of and that the security is robust enough to prevent costly network downtime – the ultimate business nightmare.”

“Businesses need to be proactive and not just reactive with regards to their network security and because Managed Firewalls are available to any small to medium sized company, businesses don't even need to be an Easynet customer to reap the benefits. Firewalls can be a key element in providing business continuity and reliable connectivity and companies shouldn't wait for web based attacks to devastate their systems before they act.”

Notes to editors

- ¹ According to Symantec 'State of Spam and Phishing Report' http://www.symantec.com/business/theme.jsp?themeid=state_of_spam
- ² According to the Symantec 2010 Global SMB Information Protection Survey http://www.symantec.com/about/news/release/article.jsp?prid=20100621_01

Relevant Links

- For more information visit <http://www.easynetconnect.net/products/managed-firewall.aspx>

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About [Easynet Connect](#)

[Easynet Connect](#) is a leading provider of quality connectivity and internet access for small to medium size businesses.

Established in 1994 and part of BSkyB Group, Easynet Connect is one of the largest networks in the UK with 6030km of fibre and last mile access to more than 70% of UK businesses via a network of more than 1,200 unbundled exchanges.

Easynet Connect is the first ISP to launch a reliable fixed-rate 100 Mbps fibre service across London, as well as being the first in the UK to have provided DSL services over an unbundled local loop and has pioneered managed LLU services for business. Easynet Connect's services range from business class ADSL and SDSL through to high-quality, [leased line equivalent](#) and Ethernet based services. Our [SDSL coverage](#) is currently the most extensive in the UK.

We offer a range of uncontended symmetrical speeds up to 1Gbps, all backed by 24x7 UK-based network monitoring and customer support, 99.9% Service Level Guarantees and an enviable 95% First Time Fix rate.

Our 20-day installation pledge for some of our EtherStream and SureStream products is the shortest of the few installation pledges currently available on the market.

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