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Integra Telecom Introduces Cloud Security Services at ITEXPO

New Managed Security Suite Includes Unified Threat Protection Service for Secure Inbound and Outbound Internet Access

PORTLAND, Ore., and ITEXPO, Austin, Texas, Sep. 13, 2011 – [Integra Telecom Inc.](#), a provider of fiber-based, business-grade networking, communications and cloud solutions, introduces a new Cloud Security Services suite of managed, networked-based security products for companies that rely on the internet for their business and need to protect their network from unauthorized and malicious access and content. The first available product is [Cloud Firewall Service](#), a network-based unified threat prevention service that provides secure inbound and outbound internet access without the need for on-premise equipment or additional staff.

“Integra Telecom is investing in new products and services to accommodate a growing number of mid-sized businesses and regional enterprise customers in our key markets throughout the U.S.,” said Richard Shimizu, Director of Cloud Services at Integra Telecom. “The Cloud Firewall Service is the first of a comprehensive array of cloud computing services that Integra is rolling out. Our Cloud Security Services suite of products serve a common objective: giving our business customers highly sophisticated, network-based data protection and management solutions that make the most of their existing investments in IT, networking and staffing resources.”

Based on Palo Alto Network’s industry leading enterprise firewall, Integra’s Cloud Firewall Service is designed to prevent unauthorized access to network infrastructure, prohibit access to inappropriate web content, restrict downloads of infected files, and ensure secure use of an organization’s corporate IP-VPN network. Unlike traditional network firewalls that depend upon “port blocking” schemes for network protection, the Integra firewall can identify and control

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applications and content, as well as points of access. This enables an unmatched breadth of capabilities – including Application Visibility and Control, URL Filtering, IPS/IDS, Anti-Virus, Anti-Spyware, and File/Data Content Filtering – that provide consistent enforcement of security policies to all customer facilities, including staff working in-office or at remote locations.

Integra's Cloud Firewall Service eliminates the need for businesses to purchase, staff, and manage premises-based internet security infrastructure. The managed service is designed to increase network, data and asset protection without additional investment in hardware or infrastructure, delivering a clear return on investment. Comprehensive reporting tools and real-time dashboards allow users to communicate security information to a variety of stakeholders while supporting legal and regulatory compliance, and user-based policies allow network administrators to control access to video, file-sharing and social media applications on an individual basis as needed.

Available in the fourth quarter, Integra Telecom is incorporating the Cloud Firewall Service as a core infrastructure component throughout its fiber network, making enterprise-class network security protection available to all Integra customers. Standard, Plus and Premium versions are available to meet a range of customer needs.

In addition to adding a full suite of highly secure and readily available cloud computing products for its customers, Integra continues to deliver on its industry leading Customer Care program to deliver a superior customer service experience.

To learn more, contact Integra at 1-866-INTEGRA or visit www.integratelecom.com/cloudfirewall.

About Integra Telecom

Integra Telecom Inc. connects business by providing enterprise-grade networking, communications and cloud solutions to over 100,000 business and carrier customers in 11 Western states, including: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah and Washington. The company owns and operates a nationally acclaimed, best-in-class fiber-optic network consisting of a 5,000-mile high-speed long-haul fiber network and a 3,000-mile metropolitan access network including more than 1,700 fiber-fed buildings. The company has earned some of the highest customer loyalty and customer satisfaction ratings in the telecommunications industry. Integra Telecom is a registered trademark of Integra Telecom Inc. For more information, visit www.integratelecom.com.

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