

Perimeter, Host and Endpoint Security – Finding the Right Mix

There has been a gradual transition from worrying exclusively about outside threats to realizing the importance of protecting against inside threats. While firewalls are certainly a necessity, unfortunately they provide no visibility whatsoever into content. Increasingly, credit unions are starting to focus on content security – protecting their member account numbers, Social Security numbers, credit/debit card numbers, etc. In addition to this type of structured data, they also need to protect unstructured information that may be contained within Word documents, PowerPoint files, and other documents.

Without a data leak prevention system in place, it is virtually impossible for credit unions to know if they are properly protecting their member data. That is because there are so many avenues for this data to leave the credit union: email, WebMail, Instant Messaging, blogs, and more. This unauthorized disclosure of sensitive information can have catastrophic consequences from lawsuits to problems with government regulators to irreparable damage to a credit union's image, brand and member loyalty.

Without a doubt, the vast majority of credit union employees are honest and hardworking. However, they can still make mistakes that lead to inadvertent data loss. In fact, our experiences show that over ninety five percent of data loss leaving an organization is completely unintentional and not malicious in nature. Most of our clients are quite surprised by this data leakage and admit that they never would have known about it without using our platform that permits them to gain complete visibility and control of their data.

When a credit union installs one of our Content Inspection Appliances, we provide them with pre-defined best practice and compliance templates specifically designed to help credit unions protect their sensitive member data and organizational intellectual property. Our system features an easy to use interface and relieves their IT Department from having to spend many hours configuring the system – with typical deployments taking less than a day. And within each data policy, credit unions have the flexibility to determine the appropriate actions for policy violations: alert, quarantine, block, reroute or encrypt.

Because data leak prevention and data encryption go hand in hand, we have built encryption right into our appliances. Credit unions receive a fully integrated data protection solution and email encryption package in one easily managed device. Plus, our Content Inspection Agent protects data, both on and off the network by preventing the transfer of files to or from unauthorized portable devices, and automatically encrypting data copied to approved devices.

Every credit union is concerned with doing well on their NCUA audits and our systems provide a complete audit trail and show that the credit union's policies are being enforced across all departments and employees. At Code Green Networks we have developed the next generation of content protection systems that help credit unions meet compliance guidelines, and are easy to deploy and above all affordable.

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