



Securis Inc. is Accepted as a PCI Security Standards Council Qualified Security Assessor

Securis to advise on and assess client data security strategy

Winnipeg, MB, August 20, 2008 - Securis Inc., a provider of information security assurance and information systems risk management solutions for North American organizations, announced today that it has been accepted as a Qualified Security Assessor (QSA) by the PCI Security Standards Council, having successfully completed the Council's rigorous testing process.

The PCI Data Security Standard (DSS), endorsed by American Express, Discover Financial Services, JCB International, MasterCard Worldwide, and Visa Inc., requires merchants and service providers that store, process, or transmit customer payment card data to adopt information security controls and processes to ensure data integrity. Participating payment brands require PCI DSS compliance reports by a certified third-party assessor for onsite audits of merchants and service providers that process payment card transactions. More information on the council and the standard can be found at www.pcisecuritystandards.org

As a QSA, Securis is able to help merchants manage data security risks, evaluate the security of their systems and assist them in achieving compliance with the PCI DSS. At Securis, CEO & President Geoff Besko was named a Qualified Security Assessor. In an era of increasingly sophisticated attacks on systems, the PCI DSS qualification reassures merchants that they are being assessed accurately and fairly against the most current payment industry requirements. Additionally, the vendors approved by the PCI Security Standards Council are the only entities qualified to perform onsite audits.

"The PCI Security Standards Council is committed to helping everyone involved in the payment chain protect consumer payment data," said Bob Russo, General Manager, PCI Security Standards Council. "By participating in the QSA certification process, Securis demonstrates they are playing an active part in this important end goal."

Geoff Besko, President & CEO of Securis Inc., stated "We are delighted to add PCI QSA offerings to our portfolio, expanding on our status as a PCI Approved Scanning Vendor. It complements our other capabilities, including Security Program Development, Threat and Risk Assessment, and Managed Security Services, resulting in a well-rounded suite of services that our customers require."

About PCI Security Standards Council

The mission of the PCI Security Standards Council is to enhance payment account security by driving education and awareness of PCI security standards. For more information, please visit www.pcisecuritystandards.org

About Securis

Founded in 1999 by business risk, information systems audit, and security professionals, Securis is headquartered in Canada and is an innovative provider of information security and information systems risk management solutions for North American organizations.

A dedicated focus on information security differentiates Securis from other consulting firms and security service providers because it allows the maintenance of significant depth and capability. Securis' strong commitment to information security research and education ensures that they remain on the leading edge of knowledge of information security best practices and technologies.

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