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MCAFEE POSITIONED IN THE LEADERS QUADRANT IN ANALYST FIRM'S MAGIC QUADRANT FOR NETWORK INTRUSION PREVENTION

Position Based on McAfee's Completeness of Vision and Ability to Execute

SANTA CLARA, Calif.—December 13, 2010 - McAfee, Inc. (NYSE: MFE), today announced that leading research firm Gartner, Inc. has placed the company in the leaders quadrant in its “Magic Quadrant for Network Intrusion Prevention System Appliances,” as published on December 6, 2010.¹ This is 5th time in a row that McAfee has been acknowledged as a leader in Gartner’s Network Intrusion Prevention magic quadrant.

According to Gartner, vendors listed in the leader’s quadrant “demonstrate balanced progress and effort in all execution and vision categories. Their actions raise the competitive bar for all products in the market, and they can change the course of the industry. To remain leaders, vendors must demonstrate a track record of delivering successfully in enterprise IPS deployments and in winning competitive assessments. Leaders produce products that provide high signature quality and low latency, are innovating with or ahead of customer challenges (such as using endpoint intelligence to make more-efficient detections) and have a range of models. Leaders continually win selections and are consistently visible on enterprise shortlists. However, a leading vendor is not a default choice for every buyer, and clients should not assume that they must buy only from vendors in the Leaders quadrant.”

Factors contributing to a company’s ability to execute include products and services, overall viability, sales and marketing execution, and customer experience.

¹ Gartner, Inc., “Magic Quadrant for Network Intrusion Prevention System Appliances,” by Greg Young, November XX, 2010.

Gartner evaluates a company's completeness of vision by considering its market understanding, sales and marketing strategy, offering or product strategy, business model, and innovation.

"Customers and partners turn to the McAfee® Network IPS solutions because of our comprehensive, integrated and proven approach to network security," said Rees Johnson, senior vice president and general manager for network security at McAfee. "Our position in the leader's quadrant of this highly-regarded network IPS assessment confirms our relentless commitment to Network IPS and Network Security. Our approach offers both superior protection and decreased maintenance costs."

Since pioneering the IPS industry with the world's first purpose-built intrusion detection and prevention appliance, the McAfee® Network Security Platform has continued to raise the bar for next-generation IPS technology. Earlier this quarter, McAfee was recognized in the NSS Labs IPS comparative vendor study, and had the highest accuracy and throughput of any product tested to date. "We believe the NSS comparative study, combined with Gartner's independent evaluation of our Network IPS solutions, demonstrates our undisputed leadership in Network IPS and Network Security," said Johnson.

To view the Magic Quadrant for Network Intrusion Prevention System Appliances, compliments of McAfee, visit: www.mcafee.com/GartnerMQ_IPS

About the Magic Quadrant

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