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RED HAT AND TRESYS PARTNER TO DELIVER ENHANCED LINUX SECURITY SERVICES

Agreement Enables Customers to Get Additional Services from Experienced SELinux Service Provider

Columbia, Md. & Raleigh, N.C. – October 7, 2008 – Tresys Technology, a provider of technology and services for customers with high security requirements, and Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced an agreement to work together to deliver government and enterprise security services to customers. Under the terms of the agreement, Red Hat and Tresys will offer services that include security engineering, secure application development, virtualization security and compliance certification and accreditation support on the Red Hat Enterprise Linux platform.

Tresys is a recognized leader in Linux security services and a principal open source contributor to the Security-Enhanced Linux (SELinux) kernel. SELinux was developed in coordination with the open source community and the National Security Agency (NSA) to provide the highest level of security for the Linux operating system. Tresys currently hosts the SELinux upstream repository, the central point for the development of SELinux, which also serves as the foundation for the integration of SELinux features into all major Linux distributions.

Red Hat has a long-standing history of providing software for use in security-sensitive environments, in both the public and private sectors, and a well-established commitment to SELinux. Red Hat has integrated full SELinux support into both the community-based Fedora distribution and the Red Hat Enterprise

Linux distribution and contributed significant enhancements to the SELinux kernel code, policies and user community.

“As security-conscious organizations across sectors recognize a need for solutions that will enable them to collaborate quickly and securely, they are migrating to those solutions with government-grade security capabilities,” explained Paul Smith, Red Hat’s vice president of government sales operations. “This partnership marks closer cooperation between Red Hat and Tresys in an effort to meet increased demand for services in the secure computing market.”

“Customers will benefit from Red Hat and Tresys’ mutual commitment to certified and supported Linux platforms for enterprise and government customers,” said Gary Latham, executive vice president of corporate development at Tresys. “We share the belief that solutions built on SELinux offer security that is among the strongest commercially available today, and we are looking forward to delivering the services customers require to design secure networks, protect platforms, build secure applications and meet regulatory compliance commitments.”

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