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Key US government departments recognize Proofpoint Systems technical leader

Washington, DC – July 12, 2007 – The Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) recently recognized the Proofpoint Systems technology team for its deployment of the Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA) Information Sharing System. Specific recognition went to Tom Moore, Proofpoint's lead developer.

The letter of appreciation, signed by Rear Admiral Joseph Nimmich and Brigadier General Frederick Rudesheim, reads in part:

Your analytical skills [and] resourcefulness contributed significantly to the successful completion of the [Maritime Domain Awareness Interagency Investment] Strategy on schedule and within budget. Over the last year your efforts have identified deficiencies in our national defense and offered solutions for overcoming them. Know that your accomplishments have contributed to a vital piece of our maritime security capability and this process is already being used as a model by other teams conducting similar assessments of national security."

In receiving the award, Mr. Moore said, "Being recognized in this manner is unbelievable. I'm honored that the MDA senior leadership would take the time and trouble to provide a special thank you to a contractor. Our team will climb any mountain to assist leaders like that."

For the DoD and DHS initiative, Proofpoint modified its core analytical applications to support an interagency analysis of maritime domain awareness capabilities. The application supports the detailed review of all strategic tasks, the prioritization of gaps, the estimation of costs and time requirements, and the initial assignment of organizational responsibilities. Proofpoint's patent pending investment gaming environment and permission-based dashboard allow leaders to see the likely performance impact of their investment decisions on organizational performance. The recommendations from the analysis were approved by all participating agencies and forwarded to the White House for acceptance.

Jim Hill, Proofpoint's CEO, said, "What may be most remarkable about our part in the process was the ability to easily link participants from many different agencies via a common web-based system. The high levels of transparency and inclusiveness were essential ingredients in the working groups' achievement of their objectives. From a program management perspective, the government is finally moving beyond spreadsheets thanks to innovative internal leadership."

"As we take on other domains such as borders, aviation security, and disaster readiness, the system will be even more valuable to the government," added Hill. "The built-in crosswalk capability will allow participants to see across boundaries which will further increase collaboration and significantly reduce the costs and time needed to achieve envisioned readiness goals."

About Proofpoint Systems: Proofpoint Systems of Los Altos, CA, (www.proofpoint.net) is the global provider of software, systems, and programs that advance individual and team performance in complex organizations. Our multidisciplinary expertise and award-winning, cutting edge technologies enable organizations to achieve extraordinary gains in productivity, alignment, and integration.

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