

## Websense Names John McCormack President

### McCormack Focused on Executing Content-Based Security Strategy to Protect Customers, Drive Channel Partner Margins and Increase Billings

SAN FRANCISCO, CA, Apr 22, 2009 (MARKET WIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Websense, Inc. (NASDAQ: WBSN) today announced that Websense Senior Vice President of Product Development John McCormack has become president of the company. Websense Chief Executive Officer Gene Hodges will share this news with financial analysts today at the company's fifth-annual financial analyst day in San Francisco.

McCormack, 49, is a security industry innovator with a track record of success at Websense, Symantec, Sygate and Cisco. Since joining the Websense management team in 2006, McCormack has been responsible for Websense product development and technical support services. He served as senior vice president of product development and reported to Websense Chief Operating Officer (COO) and interim Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Doug Wride since April 2007. With this promotion, McCormack will report directly to Hodges.

Commenting on the announcement, Hodges said: "The technology leadership across our Web, data and email security products, the successful integration of our SurfControl, PortAuthority and Defensio acquisitions, our industry-leading channel partner program, as well as the dedicated execution of Websense employees, have all contributed to reinvigorated interest in Websense from our customers, prospects and channel partners. I am confident that John, who has been integral in the success of Websense and other security companies, is ideally suited to accomplish Websense goals moving forward in an exciting time for our company and industry."

"Now that the successful integration of acquisitions is behind us, our focus is on executing our content-based security strategy, what we call Essential Information Protection," said McCormack. "I'm pleased to have the confidence of the board of directors to lead us to the next phase of Websense growth."

Wride will continue as the company's COO and interim CFO. Wride was appointed president in April 2007, and added the title of COO in January 2009 in recognition of the expanded scope of his responsibilities. On March 27, 2009, Wride resumed the duties of CFO, a position he held from 1999 until August 2007. Websense continues to search for a permanent CFO. Upon the successful completion of that search, Wride will resume his involvement as COO with the company's global channel as well as the global operations of the business.

#### John McCormack's Background

Before joining Websense, McCormack was vice president of engineering for Symantec's Client Security group, responsible for Symantec AntiVirus products and the acquired Sygate Technologies product line. McCormack joined Symantec through the acquisition of Sygate where he was senior vice president of product development. His efforts led Sygate's entry into the Network Access Control market and delivered products to achieve the leadership position in Gartner's Magic Quadrant.

Prior to Sygate, McCormack served as general manager of the Secure Managed Networks Business Unit of Cisco where he led a global implementation team of more than 300 engineers, marketing and development experts responsible for a broad range of security and network management hardware and software products. During his eight-year career at Cisco, McCormack's organization delivered many innovations including significant components of Cisco's Network Admission Control (NAC) initiative and the delivery of the company's Wireless LAN security services. Before joining Cisco, McCormack spent nine years as a development executive at Tandem Computers where he was responsible for the development of networking and operating system software.

McCormack earned a master's degree in engineering management from George Washington University and a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of New Hampshire. He also holds three U.S. patents in network information acquisition and presentation.

#### About Websense, Inc.

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