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XCEND GROUP PARTNERS WITH SAVANT PROTECTION TO BRING APPLICATION WHITELISTING SOLUTIONS TO ALTIRIS CLIENT MANAGEMENT SUITE CUSTOMERS

Adds Savant's application whitelisting and endpoint security to its portfolio of solutions

August 18, 2009 – BRIGHTON, MI, and HUDSON, NH – XCEND Group and Savant Protection announced today their partnership to bring application whitelisting security products to market. XCEND, an IT lifecycle management company and National Symantec Partner in Brighton, MI, will offer Savant's flexible and easy to manage application whitelisting and system lockdown solution for Altiris Client Management Suite from Symantec.

XCEND's customers may now improve security and control of endpoints, lockdown critical areas and prevent unknown attacks from compromising systems, while managing these functions through the Symantec Management Console.

"We are excited to have Savant's Enterprise Management System as an important part of our portfolio of solutions," said Ron Schoenherr, Vice President of Business & Strategy. "We can now bring state of the art security and control to our enterprise clients and prospects. This is consistent with our strategy to add value for our customers and grow the XCEND business aggressively over the next few years."

"We are committed to directly supporting the XCEND team," said Paul Paget, CEO of Savant Protection. "They are an excellent fit for Savant to bring a total endpoint management solution as an Altiris and Savant Partner. Together with XCEND's excellent solutions and technical services, customers and prospects will gain the benefit of a flexible and easy to manage end point security solution, leveraging the investment they have already made in Altiris Client Management Suite and other systems."

XCEND is sponsoring a series of webinars to introduce their customers and prospects to Savant. You may get more information about the upcoming webinars at http://www.xcendgroup.com/news_events.htm. Further information about Savant Protection is available at www.savantprotection.com.

About The XCEND Group

The XCEND Group (www.xcendgroup.com), an award-winning Altiris partner, offers IT lifecycle management products and proven consulting services to organizations that rely on technology to run their businesses. XCEND Group transforms organizations by aligning IT processes with business goals. The XCEND Group has worked with more than 350 clients in designing and implementing IT Lifecycle Management systems. Thirty-five of XCEND's clients are in the Fortune 1000. www.xcendgroup.com

About Savant Protection

IT professionals turn to Savant Protection to regain control of company systems and substantially improve end point security by preventing unauthorized applications from running. Its flagship product, the Savant Client with Enterprise Management System, is the only software based solution that provides the flexibility for IT to control and protect applications, stops the execution of unauthorized software, and eliminates the intrusion and spread of malware - without the management overhead, or disruption to end users required by today's centralized whitelist signature approaches. Savant Protection was formed in 2006, is privately held, and is headquartered in Hudson, New Hampshire. www.savantprotection.com