Trust Digital Offers Smart-Phone Security Management Tool

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Trust Digital is teaming up with Verizon Wireless to offer new enterprise-level security software for smart phones.

The mobile security provider is releasing Version 7 of Trust Digital Enterprise Smartphone Security, which automates enforcement of on-device security and network access and will now allow for Web-based console management.

For businesses, this means the ability to prevent smart phones that don't have the proper security settings from accessing a network until the phones' security configurations are updated - changes that can be made over the air, said David Goldschlag, executive vice president of operations for Trust Digital, in McLean, Va.

"Our mission in life is to be security management for smart phones," Goldschlag said in a March 16 interview with eWEEK.

The tool also features real-time, on-the-fly data encryption of policy-specified files, databases and removable media, as well as a patent-pending "Trusted Application" architecture that prevents viruses and malware from accessing protected data. In addition, the release provides for remote data deletion based on an established number of failed

password entries, lack of use and OTA administrative actions. It also prevents unauthorized network access to Microsoft Exchange ActiveSync by noncompliant smart phones.

In order to access corporate data, the user will have to enter a password, Goldschlag said. Companies can set whatever security configurations they want for smart phones, he said, such as mandating that smart phones not used for 30 minutes lock and require the user to enter a password to access the network.

Goldschlag said the company is tapping the national field sales team of Verizon Wireless to push the product.

Andrea Caldini, executive director of wireless business solutions at Verizon Wireless, based in Basking Ridge, N.J., said Trust Digital's offerings address key concerns of Verizon customers.

"Responding to security requirements is critical to our ability to meet our customers' wireless needs," she said in a statement. "The two go hand-in-hand for enterprise customers. Trust Digital helps us respond to those customers who see security as mission-critical to their business success."

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