

## SonicWALL Completes Acquisition of Aventail

SUNNYVALE, Calif., July 11 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- SonicWALL, Inc. (NASDAQ: SNWL), a leading provider of data protection and security solutions, announced that it has completed the acquisition of Aventail Corporation, a privately-held provider of market-leading SSL VPN secure remote access solutions.

A pioneer in SSL VPN, Aventail was founded in 1997 and today is recognized as a leader and visionary in secure remote access technology. Over 2.5 million end users worldwide rely on Aventail's strengths in security, access, policy, end point control, and mobility in higher-end enterprise control deployments. Aventail's technology complements SonicWALL's current SSL VPN product offering, which provides easily managed, secure remote access appliances for small to mid-size organizations.

With the close of this acquisition, SonicWALL is poised to provide customers with a complete portfolio of SSL VPN solutions ranging from entry to enterprise levels through its global network of 10,000 channel partners. Users will also benefit from additional opportunities for product synergies, ranging from incorporating SonicWALL's dynamic threat protection technology into the Aventail product line to expanding centralized management capabilities for appliances on the network.

PCC Natural Markets, a Seattle-based natural food co-op, currently uses Aventail's SSL VPN products and SonicWALL's IPSec VPN firewalls. "The acquisition provides the opportunity to create a stronger product offering on both sides," said Mary Beutjer, systems administrator for PCC. "SonicWALL now has the ability to incorporate enhanced security features into the Aventail offering."

The Aventail team and product portfolio are now part of SonicWALL's Network Security business unit. SonicWALL will continue to maintain operations at Aventail's Seattle headquarters and at a technical support center in Bangalore, India.

### About SonicWALL, Inc.

Founded in 1991, SonicWALL, Inc. designs, develops and manufactures comprehensive network security, email security, secure remote access, and backup and recovery solutions. Over one million SonicWALL security appliances have been shipped to protect tens of millions of computer users in businesses worldwide. SonicWALL is headquartered in Sunnyvale, California and trades on the Nasdaq under the symbol SNWL. For more information, contact SonicWALL at +1 (408) 745-9600 or visit the company web site at <http://www.sonicwall.com/>.

### Safe Harbor Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this press release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements include but are not limited to statements regarding the complementary nature of the Aventail and SonicWALL SSL-VPN products, the anticipated benefits associated with the acquisition, and the maintenance of operations at Aventail offices in Seattle and Bangalore. These forward-looking statements are based on the opinions and estimates of management at the time the statements are made and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements. In addition, please see the "Risk Factors" described in our Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006, for a more detailed description of the risks facing our business. All forward-looking statements included in this release are based

upon information available to SonicWALL as of the date of the release, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statement.

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