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WatchGuard Technologies Continues Streak of Industry Recognition for Product Excellence, Technology Innovation and Channel Leadership

Highlights include NSS Labs, Gartner, Info-Tech Research, Frost & Sullivan, SC Magazine, Network Computing, CRN and more

Seattle – September 24, 2014 – <u>WatchGuard® Technologies</u>, a leader in multi-function firewalls, this week announced that its XTM 1525 has been awarded the "Recommended" rating by testing and certification powerhouse NSS Labs. This follows the recent designation of WatchGuard as a "Leader" in Gartner's 2014 Magic Quadrant for Unified Threat Management (UTM) for the 5th year in a row.

Info-Tech Research Group recently named WatchGuard a "Champion" and was given the "Value" and "Trend Setter" award in its Next Generation Firewall Vendor Landscape report. Frost & Sullivan named WatchGuard the "Leader" in three categories of its UTM and NGFW report. Network Computing named WatchGuard Dimension™ its "Best New Product of 2014" and SC Magazine awarded the XCS 580 solution a "5-Star Rating."

Additionally, in just the few months since its release, the Firebox T10 has been given the rare "6 Star" rating by PC Pro, a highly rated "4-Star Award" from PC Magazine, and a "Gold Award" for the "Best Unified or Integrated Security Product" from Network Products Guide.

WatchGuard has also received overwhelming recognition for its channel programs. ChannelPartner named WatchGuard a "Preferred Vendor" in its Partner Excellence Awards. CRN gave WatchGuard the elite "5-Star Rating" in its Partner Program Guide. And CRN also named WatchGuard's Vice President of Sales, Alex Thurber, one of the "Top 50 Most Influential Channel Chiefs" and one of the "Top 50 Midmarket IT Vendor Executives."

"The pressure to get network security right has never been more critical to the success of today's organizations. The recent spate of security breaches has driven headlines around the world, in some cases costing CEOs their jobs and corporations dearly in terms of their reputation," said Mike Kohlsdorf, CEO of WatchGuard Technologies. "This type of third

party recognition about the value of our solutions is critical to giving our partners and end users confidence that WatchGuard provides leading performance and value worldwide."

About WatchGuard Technologies, Inc.

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