

Zurich Municipality Locks Down Endpoints and Secures Network with the Palo Alto Networks Enterprise Security Platform

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Combination of Traps Advanced Endpoint Protection, Threat Intelligence Cloud and Next-Generation Firewall Secure Every Point of Access for City's Waste and Recycling Department

Santa Clara, Calif., July 21, 2015 – Palo Alto Networks® (NYSE: PANW), the leader in enterprise security, today announced that the City of Zurich's Entsorgung Recycling Zurich (ERZ) department has selected the Palo Alto Networks Enterprise Security Platform to secure its computing environment from evolving sophisticated cyber threats, and reduce IT management burdens.

ERZ Disposal and Recycling gathers the waste of the City of Zurich, and cleans the streets, sidewalks and parks. It produces electricity and heat from the waste for 170,000 homes. ERZ directs the waste water out of the city and purifies it in the biggest treatment plant in Switzerland. With approximately 900 employees, ERZ is the largest department in the Civil Engineering and Waste Department of Zurich.

An existing Palo Alto Networks next-generation firewall customer, ERZ most recently subscribed to the WildFire service and Palo Alto Networks Traps Advanced Endpoint Protection to complete their Palo Alto Networks Enterprise Security Platform installation.

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"The legacy anti-virus solutions we had in place were not equipped to prevent today's modern attacks, and required constant updates. Traps endpoint protection is an important addition to our system because it shows us what is happening, where it's happening, and it prevents threats on endpoints without impacting performance or forcing us to babysit it. Compared to legacy virus protection solutions, Traps offers a highly reliable, strong level of prevention in the cyber attack lifecycle. It takes a different approach to endpoint security that provides a new level of protection against the known and the unknown."

- Julio Lorenzo, Leader, Group Field Infrastructure, ERZ

ERZ tested Traps based on the recommendation of its longtime trusted IT advisor, Omicron AG. The test demonstrated Traps' scalability, ease-of-use, and a superior ability to prevent threats at endpoints. Traps addresses advanced attacks on endpoints by identifying and blocking the techniques used by attackers as they attempt to exploit a vulnerability or deliver malware directly to an endpoint. ERZ is using Traps to prevent unknown malware and zero-day exploits from compromising endpoints, and to stop the drain on resources caused by its previous endpoint security products. Traps is part of the Palo Alto Networks Enterprise Security Platform, which also features a Next-Generation Firewall and Threat Intelligence Cloud.

When ERZ rolled out Traps it also subscribed to Palo Alto Networks WildFire[™]. WildFire natively classifies all traffic across nearly 400 applications – and uniquely applies this behavioral analysis to protect ERZ against advanced malware and threats by proactively identifying and blocking unknown malware, zero-day exploits, and Advanced Persistent Threats (APTs). Native integration between Traps and WildFire automatically checks unknown executables attempting to run on endpoints. If the file is malicious, Traps prevents it from running. Even unknown malware is prevented because Traps submits unknown executable files to WildFire for analysis.

About Entsorgung + Recycling Zurich (ERZ)

Entsorgung + Recycling Zürich (ERZ - Waste Management and Recycling Zurich) recycles waste from the City of Zurich and submits recyclable material for recycling. ERZ collects more than 30,000 bags of waste daily, cleans the streets, sidewalks, and parks and cleans the waste water of the City of Zurich. With its approximately 900 employees, ERZ is one of the largest divisions of the Civil Engineering and Recycling Department of Zurich. For more information on ERZ, click here.

About Palo Alto Networks

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