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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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INFOEXPRESS INC.	
Plaintiff,	Case No. 4:23-cv-4389
v.	**COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT**
FORTINET, INC.,	
Defendant.	**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

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1   Plaintiff InfoExpress Inc. ("InfoExpress" or "Plaintiff"), by its undersigned counsel, for

2 its Complaint against Defendant Fortinet, Inc. ("Fortinet" or "Defendant"), states as follows:

3 **I.   NATURE OF THE ACTION**

4   1.   This is a civil action arising under the patent laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C.

5 § 1 et seq., including 35 U.S.C. § 271, based on Defendant's unauthorized and willfully

6 infringing manufacture, use, sale, offering for sale, and/or importation of products and the

7 practicing of methods incorporating InfoExpress's patented inventions.

8   2.   InfoExpress is owner of all right, title, and interest in and to multiple United

9 States patents including United States Patent Nos. 7,523,484 (the '484 Patent); 8,051,460 (the

10 '460 Patent); 8,677,450 (the '450 Patent); 8,578,444 (the '444 Patent); 8,347,350 (the '350

11 Patent); and 8,117,645 (the '645 Patent) (collectively, "the Patents-in-Suit").

12   3.   Defendant manufactures, makes, uses, provides, sells, offers for sale, imports,

13 and/or distributes products, services, and systems which directly infringe the Patents-in-Suit.

14 The Patents-in-Suit represent InfoExpress's significant investment into the network access and

15 security space.

16 **II.   THE PARTIES**

17   4.   Plaintiff InfoExpress is a California corporation with its principal place of

18 business located at 2975 Bowers Ave #323, Santa Clara, CA 95051.

19   5.   Defendant is a corporation that is organized under the laws of Delaware and that

20 has place of business located at 899 Kifer Road, Sunnyvale, California 94086.

21 **III.   JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

22   6.   This is an action for patent infringement, which arises under the Patent Laws of

23 the United States, in particular, 35 U.S.C. §§ 271, 281, 282, 284, and 285. This Court has

24 jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

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7.   The Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because it is headquartered within this judicial district and further because it has committed acts giving rise to this action within California and within this District. Defendant also regularly does business or solicits business in this District and in California, engages in other persistent course of conduct and derives substantial revenue from products and/or services provided in this District and in California, and has purposefully established substantial, systematic and continuous contacts with this District and should reasonably expect to be sued in a court in this District.

8.   Defendant has committed acts of patent infringement in this District and elsewhere in California.

9.   Venue is proper in this District under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391 and 1400(b) because Defendant has an established place of business in this District, including at 899 Kifer Road, Sunnyvale, California 94086, has committed acts within this District giving rise to this action and resulting in the derivation of substantial revenue from goods and services provided to customers in California, and continues to conduct business in this District, including one or more acts of selling, using, importing, and/or offering for sale infringing goods and/or performing support service to Defendant customers in this District.

IV.   INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT

10.   Pursuant to Local Rule 3-2(c) and the Court's Assignment Plan (General Order No. 44) D(3), intellectual property cases, such as this one, are assigned on a district-wide basis.

V.   FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

InfoExpress's Innovations

11.   Established in 1993, InfoExpress is a privately held network security solutions corporation with its offices in Santa Clara, California.

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12.   Since its inception, and leading up to its groundbreaking patented network access control ("NAC") and endpoint compliance innovations, InfoExpress has been a pioneer in designing and implementing foundational security technologies.

13.   InfoExpress's security innovation dates as early as the 1990s when it developed Virtual Transmission Control Protocol ("VTCP"), a virtual application programming interface ("API") that allowed online dial-up accounts to run internet applications directly on user personal computers.

14.   VTCP was used by InfoExpress's corporate customers to provide remote employee access to corporate networks. This, however, required additional security.

15.   In response, InfoExpress developed and introduced VTCP Secure in 1996. VTCP Secure was a seminal approach to remote access Virtual Private Networks ("VPN"). Like its predecessor, VTCP Secure was also tremendously popular and sales jumped exponentially. It also garnered substantial industry praise.[1]

16.   As culture evolved, additional security measures were needed to protect corporate resources from potentially compromised remote VPN-connected PCs. Thus, in or around 2000, InfoExpress developed CyberArmor—a personal firewall that provided protection to the PCs. Again, InfoExpress received praise and awards in the security industry for CyberArmor.

17.   While CyberArmor was successful, InfoExpress customers reported that some individual users did not install CyberArmor or disabled it. To address this issue, InfoExpress innovated to develop a CyberGatekeeper Remote product and service which could be placed

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[1] HelpNetSecurity, *Infoexpress VPN Software VTCP/Secure Chosen Windows & .Net Magazine Readers' Choice Award Winner*, https://www.helpnetsecurity.com/2002/09/18/infoexpress-vpn-software-vtcpsecure-chosen-windows-net-magazine-readers-choice-award-winner/ (last visited May 18, 2023) ("VTCP/Secure 5.1 was selected a winner in the Best VPN category of the Windows & .NET Magazine Readers' Choice Awards.")

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between VPN servers and its corporate customer networks to monitor whether the CyberArmor personal firewall was installed and active on the remote PC before granting access to the corporate network.

18.   A shift in the security space came when companies started transitioning employees from desktops to mobile devices such as laptops. While this expanded mobile network connectivity and usage, it also increased corporate security risks. Because CyberGatekeeper Remote was located behind VPN servers and because a corporate organization provided access to the network with hundreds, if not, thousands of switches, adding extra CyberGatekeeper Remote behind each switch was impractical.

19.   Accordingly, in 2003, InfoExpress invented network access control through insertion of a gatekeeper between access devices and the authentication servers via a new NAC product. This product, called CyberGatekeeper LAN, was the world's first network access control product for the local area networks ("LAN").

20.   To date, InfoExpress continues to offer products and services in the network security space. However, Defendant's infringement and usurping of InfoExpress's patented technology have resulted in a loss of market share, loss of customers, and declining sales.

InfoExpress's Patent Portfolio

21.   The InfoExpress patent portfolio includes several issued and enforceable United States patents ("the Patent Portfolio") directed to network security and access control. This Patent Portfolio is a direct result from the innovation, ingenuity, and work of InfoExpress personnel including Chief Executive Officer and inventor Stacey Lum.

22.   The Patents-in-Suit are part of the Patent Portfolio and relate to specific core and foundational inventions for, and associated with, NAC technology.

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1   23.   The Patent Portfolio, and the Patents-in-Suit solve technological problems that

2 existed relating to the capabilities of controlling access to computing networks in the face of

3 growing user demand for accessing secure networks over the Internet and from personal devices

4 such as laptop computers and other mobile devices.

5   24.   On April 21, 2009, the '484 Patent entitled "Systems and Methods for Controlling

6 Network Access" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

7 A true and accurate copy of the '484 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

8   25.   On November 1, 2011, the '460 Patent entitled "Systems and Methods for

9 Controlling Network Access" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and

10 Trademark Office. A true and accurate copy of the '460 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

11   26.   On March 18, 2014, the '450 Patent entitled "Systems and Methods for

12 Controlling Network Access" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and

13 Trademark Office. A true and accurate copy of the '450 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

14   27.   On November 5, 2013, the '444 Patent entitled "Systems and Methods of

15 Controlling Network Access" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and

16 Trademark Office. A true and accurate copy of the '444 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit D.

17   28.   On January 1, 2013, the '350 Patent entitled "Systems and Methods of

18 Controlling Network Access" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and

19 Trademark Office. A true and accurate copy of the '350 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit E.

20   29.   On February 14, 2012, the '645 Patent entitled "Systems and Methods of

21 Controlling Network Access" was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and

22 Trademark Office. A true and accurate copy of the '645 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit F.

23   30.   The Patents-in-Suit are valid and enforceable.

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31.   At least as of the 2003 priority date, the inventions as claimed in the Patents-in-Suit were novel, non-obvious, unconventional, and non-routine.

32.   InfoExpress is the assignee of and owns all right, title, and interests in the Patents-in-Suit, including the right to receive lost profits and/or a reasonable royalty, and recovery of any and all other damages for all past and future infringement thereof.

33.   To the extent 35 U.S.C. § 287 is applicable, the requirements have been satisfied with respect to the Patents-in-Suit.

Defendant's Infringing Instrumentalities

34.   Defendant has been making, using, selling, importing, and offering for sale hardware (including virtual) and software (including licenses) that implement or practice the Patents-in-Suit including those for and relating to its NAC products such as its Zero Trust Network Access Solutions including FortiNAC alone, and in combination with, Defendant's products such as:

- Defendant's wireless access points, including its FortiAPs;

- Defendant's FortiNAC compliant hardware and virtual servers; and

- Defendant's routers and switches, including its FortiSwitch, which implements FortiNAC.

(hereinafter, the "Accused Instrumentalities.").
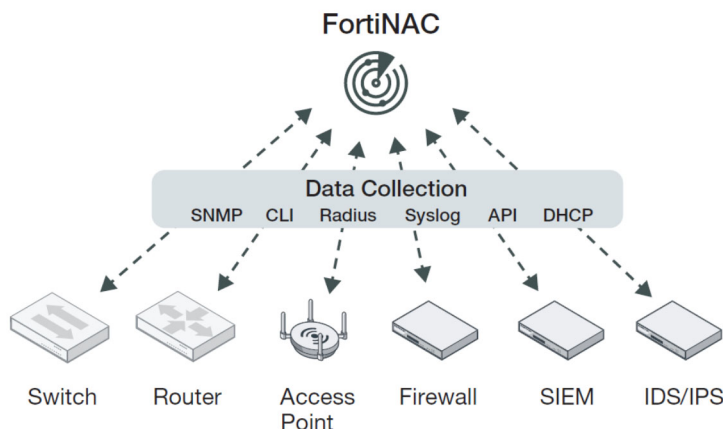
35.   Defendant's FortiNAC is a network access control solution that enables

organizations to easily manage their network access policies and ensure compliance with security

policies. It offers a comprehensive view of all devices and users on the network, allowing for

granular control of access based on user roles, device, types, and network locations.

36.   Defendant's FortiNAC "is an 'out of band' solution, meaning it does not sit in-

line of user traffic. This architecture allows FortiNAC to be deployed centrally and manage

many remote locations." https://www.fortinet.com/content/dam/fortinet/assets/data-

sheets/fortinac.pdf

37.   Defendant also infringes the claims of the Patents-in-Suit by making and selling

its FortiNAC solution in combination or for use with other third party products including servers,

routers, switches, and/or access points. For example, the "solution provides automated

onboarding of new endpoints, as well as continuous monitoring and remediation of non-

compliance devices. FortiNAC also integrates with third-party security solutions and offers

advanced reporting and analytics capabilities for enhanced visibility and compliance reporting."

Id.

38.   Defendant itself practices the claimed inventions in the Patents-in-Suit, for

example at its locations and campuses in this District and throughout the United States.

39.   Defendant is also aware of InfoExpress and its Patent Portfolio.

40.   On information and belief, Defendant is relying on InfoExpress's patented

CyberGatekeeper product as prior art in *In re: Taasera Licensing LLC, Patent Litigation*, Civil

Action No. 2:22-MD-03042-JRG (E.D. Tex.).

41.   Further, Defendant's own U.S. patents disclose and cite InfoExpress's Patent

Portfolio.

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1 42. Defendant owns U.S. Patent No. 9,948,607 (App. No. 15/452,436). On March 17

2 2017, during prosecution of the application, Defendant submitted an information disclosure

3 statement to the examiner, which identified InfoExpress's '645 Patent as relevant to the United

4 States Patent and Trademark Office.

5 43. Similarly, Defendant owns U.S. Patent No. US 9,887,901 (App. No. 15/465,577).

6 On April 3, 2017, during prosecution of the application, submitted an information disclosure

7 statement to the examiner, which identified InfoExpress's '645 Patent as relevant to the United

8 States Patent and Trademark Office.

9 44. Defendant also owns U.S. Patent Nos. 8,931,047; 8,931,046; and 9,609,021 which

10 cite to InfoExpress's '645 Patent.

11 45. Thus, at least as early as March 2017, Defendant was aware of InfoExpress's '645

12 Patent. On information and belief, Defendant would have analyzed the '645 Patent and the

13 InfoExpress Patent Portfolio, and thus would have been aware of how its own products met the

14 claims of the '645 Patent and the other Patents-in-Suit.

15 46. Accordingly, Defendant knew of the InfoExpress Patent Portfolio (including the

16 Patents-In-Suit) and had knowledge of its infringement, or at least was willfully blind to its

17 infringement.

18 47. Defendant has also been aware that it infringes the Patents-in-Suit since at least as

19 of the date of filing and/or service this Complaint. Since obtaining knowledge of its infringing

20 activities, Defendant has failed to cease its infringing activities.

21 48. Defendant has infringed, and continues to infringe, claims of the Patents-In-Suit

22 in the United States by making, using, offering for sale, selling and/or importing the Accused

23 Instrumentalities in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

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49.   Defendant induces infringement by others of one or more claims of the Patents-in-Suit in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) in aiding, instructing, promoting, encouraging or otherwise acting with the intent to cause other parties, including customers, to use its Accused Instrumentalities. Defendant is aware of the Patents-in-Suit, at least as of the filing and/or service of this lawsuit, and knows or should have known that the inducing acts described herein constitutes infringement of the Patents-in-Suit.

50.   Defendant takes specific steps to actively induce other third parties—for example, customers—to use and/or configure the Accused Instrumentalities in a manner and intentionally instructs infringing use at least by providing:

(1) **Brochures and installation and user guides**, such as its *FortiNAC 9.4.0 Administration Guide* and its *FortiOS 7.0.0 New Features Guide*, which as discussed above, instruct Defendant's customers to respectively use FortiNAC and FortiOS in infringing manner, as shown below by way of example. The purpose of the *FortiNAC 9.4.0 Administration Guide*, the *FortiOS 7.0.0 New Features Guide*, and other literature is to instruct Defendant's customers how to use its products in an infringing manner:

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Port changes

When the port's VLAN changes or when a port-based CLI configuration is applied, entries are written to the Port Changes view.

Settings

Fields used in filters are also defined in this table.

Field	Definition
Port changes	
Date	Date that the change occurred.
CLI Config Name	CLI configuration used to modify the port state.
Port Change Reason	Reasons for changes in port state. Reasons include: • **Registration**: Port was moved into the registration VLAN. • **Remediation**: Port was moved into the remediation VLAN. • **Dead End**: Port was moved into the dead end VLAN. • **Default**: Port was moved to the default VLAN • **Role**: Port was moved into the VLAN specified by the role associated with the end-station and the port. • **Authentication**: Port was moved into the authentication VLAN. • **Undo**: Port was changed based on Undo commands in a CLI configuration.
Role/Access Policy	Name of the Network Device Role or the network access policy that triggered the port change. Not all port changes are associated with a role or a policy.
Port	Port that was changed. Includes device name and port number.
VLAN	ID or Name of the VLAN where the port was moved.
Device	Filters results by the device where the affected ports reside. Use **Sort By** to resort devices in the drop-down list by name or by IP address.

FortiNAC 9.4.0 Admin Guide at 400; *see also id.* at 427 ("Determine which hosts or users will receive which network access. . . . Create your network access policies by mapping a user/host profile to a network access configuration."); *and* 315 (describing different VLANs, including registration (which "[i]solates unregistered hosts from the production network during host registration") and authentication (which "[i]solates registered hosts from the Production network during user authentication"), and states that "If enabled, FortiNAC uses Firewall Rules to treat authenticated and unauthenticated users differently.").

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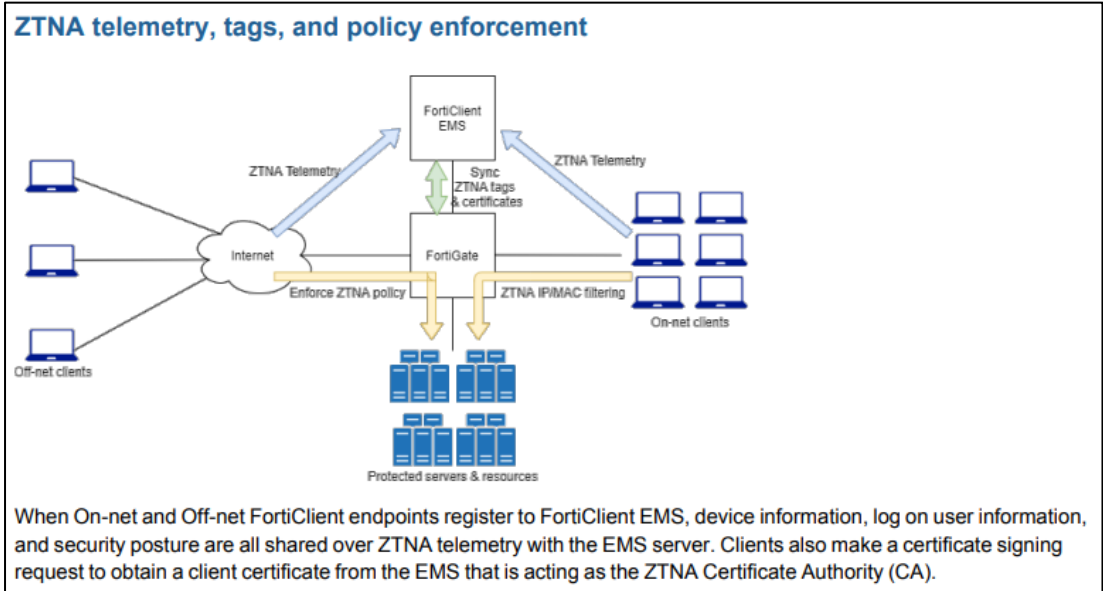
FortiOS 7.0.0 New Features Guide at 353;

(2) **Webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiNAC**, for example,

Redington Value Distribution, *Redington & Fortinet Webinar Session Fortinet*

FortiNAC, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kl8ayOgRqD8, which (as specifically

shown at 13:28 in the still image below), instructs third-party users to use the accused

FortiNAC instrumentality. The purpose of this video and others is to instruct

Defendant's customers how to use FortiNAC in an infringing manner:

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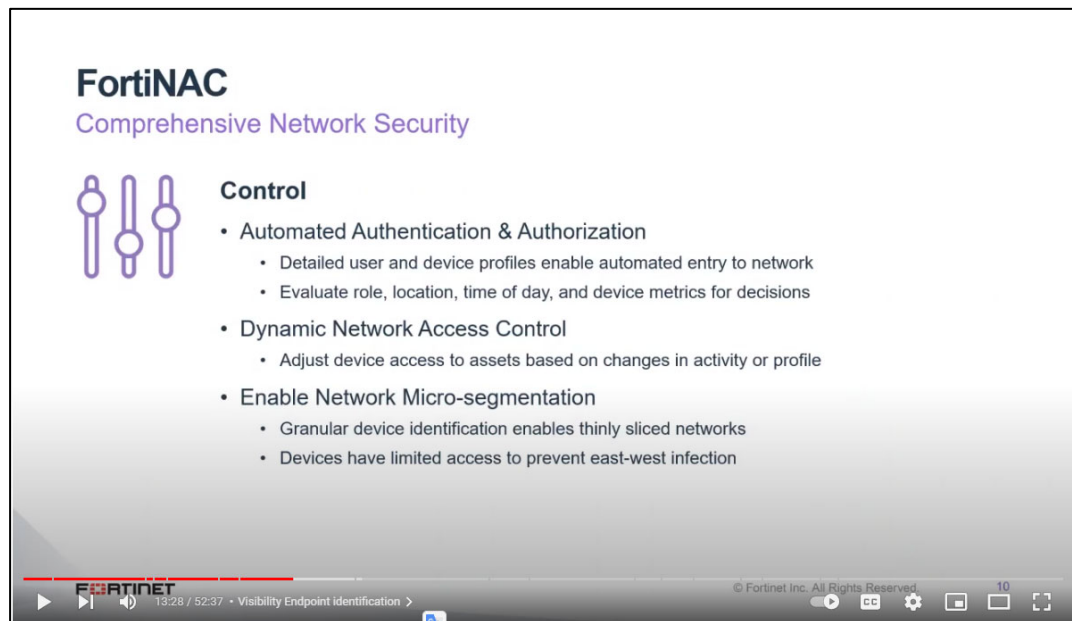
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2   (3) **Webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiOS**, for example, Fortinet,

3   *Support NAC Policies on SwitchPorts in FortiOS 6.4*,

4   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3TT2ZttiT_o, which instruct third-party users to use

5   the accused FortiOS instrumentality, (a) as specifically stated at 0:25–0:30 ("When the

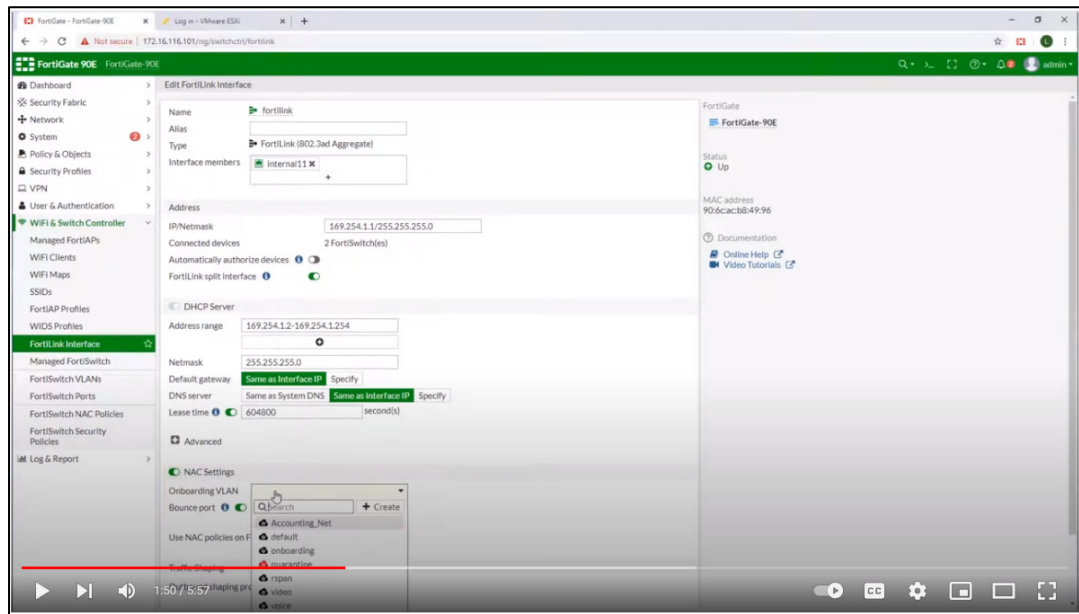6   [endpoint] device matches the patterns defined in the NAC policy, connection is applied

7   to the device, such as moving it to a specific VLAN, or having a security policy

8   applied."), (b) as shown (at 1:50 in the still image below) by using an "onboarding

9   VLAN" for applying NAC policies, and (c) as shown (at 4:28 in the still image below) by

10   assigning certain users (e.g. those on the "accounting team") to a specific VLAN (the

11   accounting VLAN)),.

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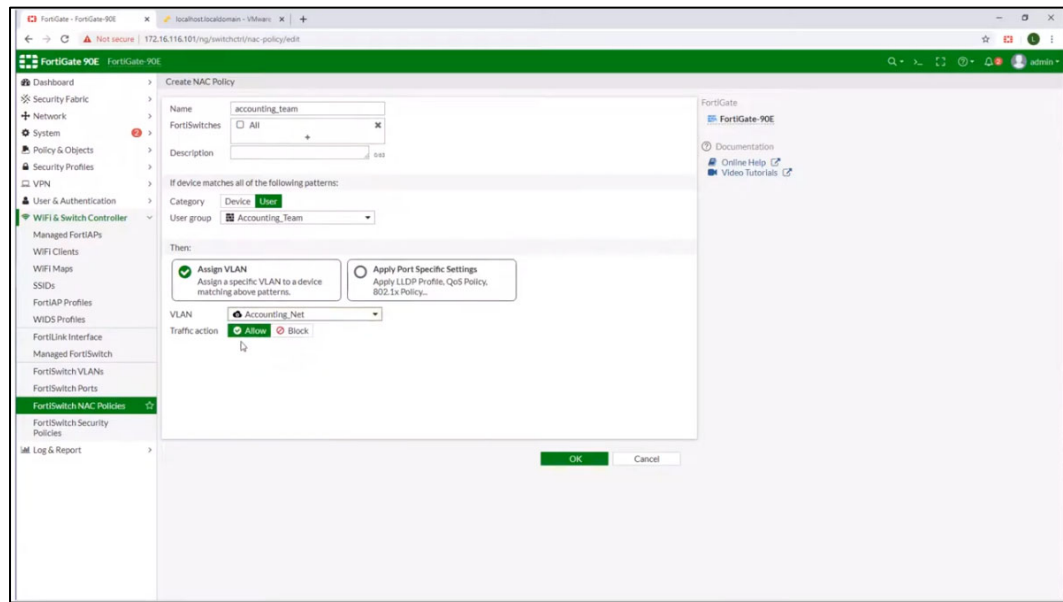
(4) **Software updates to its FortiNAC through Fortinet**, *FortiNAC - Upgrade*

Instructions and Considerations Version 9.x (March 28, 2022),

https://fortinetweb.s3.amazonaws.com/docs.fortinet.com/v2/attachments/152e0729-7782-

11eb-9995-00505692583a/UpgradeInstructandConsider-pdf.pdf ("This document

provides the steps to upgrade the FortiNAC appliance software.") and to its FortiOS

through at least its website at FortiGuard Labs, Product Security Incident Response Team

(PSIRT) Advisories, https://www.fortiguard.com/psirt?product=FortiOS (last visited June

14, 2023), whereby third party users are instructed to download updates to FortiOS,

which can be in response to security vulnerabilities:

Monthly PSIRT Advisories

- 2023: Jun , May , Apr , Mar , Feb , Jan
- 2022: Dec , Nov , Sep , Aug , Jul , Jun , May , Apr , Mar , Feb
- 2021: Dec , Nov , Oct , Sep , Aug , Jul , Jun , May , Apr , Mar , Feb , Jan
- 2020: Dec

The following is a list of advisories for issues resolved in Fortinet products. The resolution of such issues is coordinated by the Fortinet Product Security Incident Response Team (PSIRT), a dedicated, global team that manages the receipt, investigation, and public reporting of information about security vulnerabilities and issues related to Fortinet products and services.
For details of how to raise a PSIRT Issue with Fortinet, please see our PSIRT Policy here.

FortiOS & FortiProxy - Access of uninitialized pointer in administrative interface API
An access of uninitialized pointer vulnerability [CWE-824] in FortiOS administrative interface API may allow an authentica...

FortiProxy 7.2.3, 7.2.2, 7.2.1, 7.2.0, 7.0.9, 7.0.8, 7.0.7, 7.0.6, 7.0.5, 7.0.4, 7.0.3, 7.0.2, 7.0.1, 7.0.0, 2.0.9, 2.0.8, 2.0.7, 2.0.6, 2.0.5, 2.0.4, 2.0.3, 2.0.2, 2.0.12, 2.0.11, 2.0.10, 2.0.1, 2.0.0, 1.2.9, 1.2.8, 1.2.7, 1.2.6, 1.2.5, 1.2.4, 1.2.3, 1.2.2, 1.2.13, 1.2.12, 1.2.11, 1.2.10, 1.2.1, 1.2.0, 1.1.6, 1.1.5, 1.1.4, 1.1.3, 1.1.2, 1.1.1, 1.1.0   FortiOS 7.2.4, 7.2.3, 7.2.2, 7.2.1, 7.2.0, 7.0.9, 7.0.8, 7.0.7, 7.0.6, 7.0.5, 7.0.4, 7.0.3, 7.0.2, 7.0.11, 7.0.10, 7.0.1, 7.0.0, 6.4.9, 6.4.8, 6.4.7, 6.4.6, 6.4.5, 6.4.4, 6.4.3, 6.4.2, 6.4.13, 6.4.12, 6.4.11, 6.4.10, 6.4.1, 6.4.0, 6.2.9, 6.2.8, 6.2.7, 6.2.6, 6.2.5, 6.2.4, 6.2.3, 6.2.2, 6.2.15, 6.2.14, 6.2.13, 6.2.12, 6.2.11, 6.2.10, 6.2.1, 6.2.0, 6.0.9, 6.0.8, 6.0.7, 6.0.6, 6.0.5, 6.0.4, 6.0.3, 6.0.2, 6.0.17, 6.0.16, 6.0.15, 6.0.14, 6.0.13, 6.0.12, 6.0.11, 6.0.10, 6.0.1, 6.0.0

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(5) **Product support through its FortiCare Technical Support and Services**, whereby Defendant's customers can obtain technical support for their Fortinet products at three different tiers of service—essential, premium and elite, as shown below:

FortiCare Service Offerings

FortiCare Included Features	Per-device Service Options		
	FortiCare ESSENTIAL	FortiCare PREMIUM	FortiCare ELITE
RMA	Return and replace only	Advanced replacement (PRMA available)	Advanced replacement (PRMA available)
Web Support	✔	✔	✔
Telephone Support	—	✔	✔
Firmware Updates	✔	✔	✔
Asset Management Portal	✔	✔	✔
Response Time (Critical Issue)	Next business day	1 hour	15 mins
Response Time (Non-critical Issue)	Next business day	Next business day	2 business hours
Extended End-of-Engineering-Support (E-EoES) for Long Term Supported Firmware (LTS) of 18 months*	—	—	✔
Device Insights and Monitoring Portal (FortiCare Elite Portal)	—	—	✔

* Currently available for FortiGate only

FortiCare Services are provided by the support teams located across 20 regional Technical Assistance Centers (TACs) and three regional Centers of Excellence (COE).

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Fortinet, FortiCare Services: Technical Support, Advanced Support, and Professional

Services, at 3 (April 12, 2023), https://www.fortinet.com/content/dam/fortinet/

assets/solution-guides/sb-forticare-services.pdf (last visited June 14, 2023); and

(6) **An online community for support, hosted at https://community.fortinet.com/**,

whereby users and Defendant's personnel can post technical help about FortiNAC and

FortiOS, such as in the examples below:
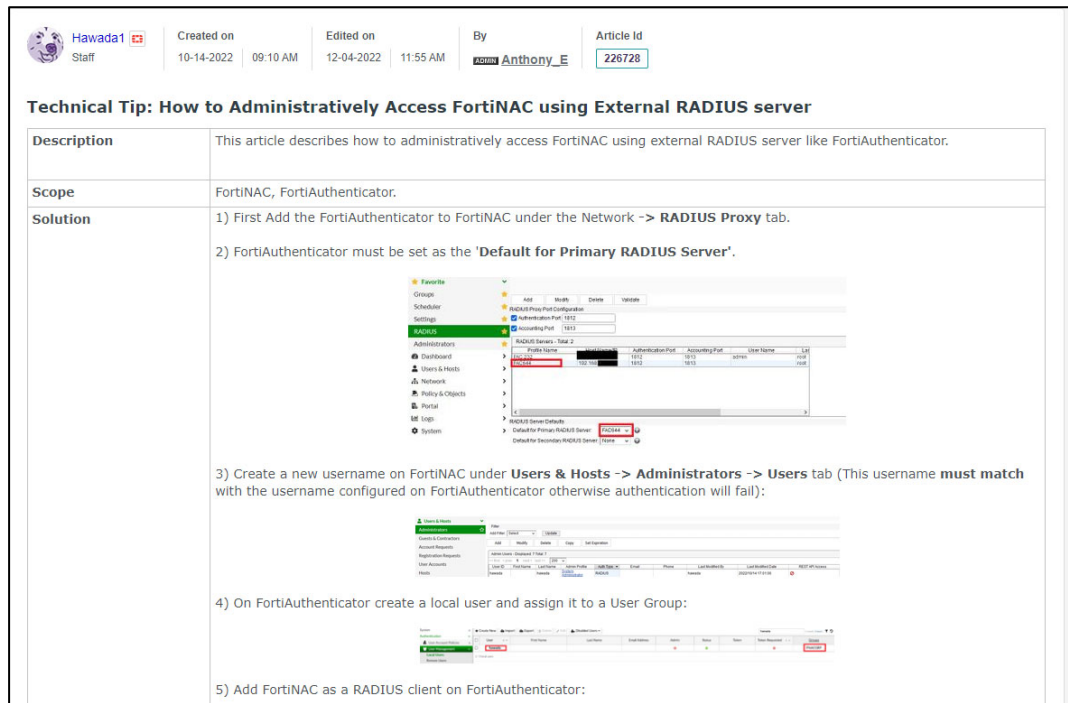
Fortinet, *Technical Tip: How to Administratively Access FortiNAC using External*

RADIUS server (Oct 14, 2022), https://community.fortinet.com/t5/FortiNAC/Technical-

Tip-How-to-Administratively-Access-FortiNAC-using/ta-p/226728 (last visited June 14,

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Fortinet, *Technical Tip: Configuring session TTL timers for particular ports or services* (Dec. 6, 2022), https://community.fortinet.com/t5/FortiGate/Technical-Tip-Configuring-session-TTL-timers-for-particular/ta-p/194732 (last visited June 14, 2023).

51.   Defendant's activities cause users to use and infringe the systems and methods claimed in the Patents-in-Suit.

52.   Defendant has also contributed to the infringement of one or more claims of the Patents-in-Suit, and continues to do so, by offering to commercially distribute, commercially distributing, or importing software and devices that constitute components of InfoExpress's patented devices, and/or are configured to practice InfoExpress's claimed methods.

53.   For example, Defendant is liable for contributory infringement by making, using, selling, and offering to sell its servers, FortiNAC hardware and software, and instructing users to infringe the claims of the Patents-in-Suit.

54.   FortiNAC servers—including (at least) the FortiNAC-CA-500C, FortiNAC-CA-600C, and FortiNAC-CA-700C (collectively, "FortiNAC Servers")—are material parts of

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InfoExpress's claimed devices and systems, and are configured to practice InfoExpress's claimed methods of NAC.

55.   These FortiNAC Servers are "can be deployed in a variety of sizes, depending on the number of ports they need to support. FortiNAC is ideal for support distributed architectures, including SD-Branch locations." These Servers are not a staple article or commodity of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use.

56.   Additionally, Defendant is liable for contributory infringement under 35 U.S.C. § 271(c) because Defendant's software and devices reconfigure the communication port of an access point for communicating data between a user endpoint and protected resources on a protected network, once requirements of the security policy are satisfied. As such, Defendant's software and devices are especially made or especially adapted for use in an infringement, and are not a staple articles or commodities of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use.

57.   Defendant undertook and continues its infringing actions despite that it knew and/or should have known that its actions constituted an unjustifiably high risk that its activities infringed the Patents-in-Suit, which were duly issued by the USPTO, and are presumed valid. Since first prosecuting its patent applications, through litigating the *Taasera Licensing* lawsuit, and at the latest, the filing of this action, Defendant has been aware of the unjustifiably high risk that its actions constituted and continue to constitute infringement of the Patents-in-Suit, and that the Patents-in-Suit are valid. Defendant could not reasonably, subjectively believe that its actions do not constitute infringement of the Patents-in-Suit, and it could not reasonably, subjectively believe that the Patents-in-Suit are invalid. Despite this knowledge and subjective belief, and the unjustifiably high risk that its actions constitute infringement, Defendant has continued its infringing activities. As such, Defendant willfully infringes the Patents-in-Suit.

COUNT I: INFRINGEMENT OF THE '484 PATENT

58.   InfoExpress incorporates all previous paragraphs by reference as if fully stated herein.

59.   InfoExpress owns all substantial rights, interest, and title in and to the '484 Patent, including the sole and exclusive right to prosecute this action and enforce the '484 Patent against infringers, and to collect damages for all relevant times.

60.   The '484 Patent describes in technical detail each of the limitations of the claims, allowing a skilled artisan to understand the scope of the claims and how the non-conventional and non-generic combination of claim limitations is patentably distinct from and improved upon what may have been conventional or generic in the art at the time of the invention.

61.   As set forth in the attached exemplary non-limiting Claim Chart (Exhibit G), Defendant, without authorization or license from InfoExpress, has been and is presently directly infringing, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, at least one claim of the '484 Patent,

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1   pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), including through making, using, selling, offering to sell, and

2   importing, in the United States the Accused Instrumentalities.

3   62.   Defendant actively induces infringement under § 271(b) of at least one claim of

4   the '484 Patent by selling to its customers the Accused Instrumentalities with instructions as to

5   how to use the Accused Instrumentalities as recited in the '484 Patent. Defendant knowingly

6   aids, instructs, or otherwise acts with the specific intent to cause an end user to use the Accused

7   Instrumentalities. As set forth above, Defendant provides to third parties (including its

8   customers) (1) brochures and literature; (2) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for

9   FortiNAC; (3) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiOS; (4) software updates;

10 (5) product support through its FortiCare Technical Support and Services; and (6) an online

11 community for NAC support, all of which instruct those third parties to infringe the '484 patent.

12 Additionally, Defendant knew of the '484 Patent and knew that its use and sale of the Accused

13 Instrumentalities infringe at least one claim of the '484 Patent, and Defendant is thus liable for

14 inducement of the '484 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

15   63.   Defendant is liable for contributory infringement under § 271(c) of at least one

16 claim of the '484 Patent by providing, and by having knowingly provided the Accused

17 Instrumentalities, including the Servers and the FortiNAC software and devices used to infringe

18 at least one claim of the '484 Patent. Defendant's FortiNAC software, as sold, contains

19 instructions for performing the claimed methods of the '484 patent. Similarly, FortiNAC Servers

20 are material parts of InfoExpress's claimed inventions, and are configured to practice

21 InfoExpress's claimed methods of NAC. For example, Defendant's software and devices

22 reconfigure the communication port of an access point for communicating data between a user

23 endpoint and protected resources on a protected network, once requirements of the security

24 policy are satisfied. Defendant's *FortiNAC 9.4.0 Administration Guide* describes an example of

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1   this on page 400, where it explains that when an access point's "port changes or when a port-

2   based CLI configuration is applied, entries are written to the Port Changes view." It further

3   describes, on page 427, how one "[f]irst determine[s] which ports will participate in network

4   access policies and place[s] those ports in the Role Based Access Group[,]" and subsequently

5   "[c]reate[s] your network access policies by mapping a user/host profile to a network access

6   configuration." *See also id.* at 315 (describing different VLANs, including registration (which

7   "[i]solates unregistered hosts from the production network during host registration") and

8   authentication (which "[i]solates registered hosts from the Production network during user

9   authentication"), and stating"If enabled, FortiNAC **uses Firewall Rules to treat authenticated**

10   **and unauthenticated users differently**.") (emphasis added).

11   64.   Defendant has known or should have known that its FortiNAC Servers and

12   FortiNAC software and devices are especially made or especially adapted for use in infringement

13   of the Patents-in-Suit, not staple articles, and not commodities of commerce suitable for

14   substantially noninfringing use.

15   65.   To the extent 35 U.S.C. § 287 is determined to be applicable, its requirements

16   have been satisfied with respect to the '484 Patent.

17   66.   InfoExpress has been damaged as a result of the infringing conduct by Defendant

18   alleged above. Thus, Defendant is liable to InfoExpress in an amount that compensates it for

19   such infringement, which by law cannot be less than a reasonable royalty and in an amount yet to

20   be determined. InfoExpress is also entitled to receive such other and further relief, as this Court

21   deems just and proper.

22   67.   InfoExpress alleges that Defendant's infringement of the '484 Patent has been and

23   continues to be deliberate and willful and egregious, and, therefore, this is an exceptional case

24   warranting an award of enhanced damages for up to three times the actual damages awarded and

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attorney's fees to InfoExpress pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284-285. As set forth above, Defendant has had knowledge of the '484 Patent or at least was willfully blind to its infringement, as well as related patents and patent applications, and its infringement thereof, and yet has deliberately continued to infringe in a wanton, malicious, and egregious manner, with reckless disregard for InfoExpress's patent rights. Thus, Defendant's infringing actions have been and continue to be consciously wrongful.

68.   Defendant's use of the '484 Patent is not licensed or authorized by InfoExpress in any way.

COUNT II: INFRINGEMENT OF THE '460 PATENT

69.   InfoExpress incorporates all previous paragraphs by reference as if fully stated herein.

70.   InfoExpress owns all substantial rights, interest, and title in and to the '460 Patent, including the sole and exclusive right to prosecute this action and enforce the '460 Patent against infringers, and to collect damages for all relevant times.

71.   The '460 Patent describes in technical detail each of the limitations of the claims, allowing a skilled artisan to understand the scope of the claims and how the non-conventional and non-generic combination of claim limitations is patentably distinct from and improved upon what may have been conventional or generic in the art at the time of the invention.

72.   As set forth in the attached exemplary non-limiting Claim Chart (Exhibit H), Defendant, without authorization or license from InfoExpress, has been and is presently directly infringing, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, at least one claim of the '460 Patent, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), including through making, using, selling, offering to sell, and importing, in the United States the Accused Instrumentalities.

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73.   Defendant actively induces infringement under § 271(b) of at least one claim of the '460 Patent by selling to its customers the Accused Instrumentalities with instructions as to how to use the Accused Instrumentalities as recited in the '460 Patent. Defendant knowingly aids, instructs, or otherwise acts with the specific intent to cause an end user to use the Accused Instrumentalities. As set forth above, Defendant provides to third parties (including its customers) (1) brochures and literature; (2) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiNAC; (3) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiOS; (4) software updates; (5) product support through its FortiCare Technical Support and Services; and (6) an online community for NAC support, all of which instruct those third parties to infringe the '460 patent. Additionally, Defendant knew of the '460 Patent and knew that its use and sale of the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least one claim of the '460 Patent, and Defendant is thus liable for inducement of the '460 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

74.   Defendant is liable for contributory infringement under § 271(c) of at least one claim of the '460 Patent by providing, and by having knowingly provided the Accused Instrumentalities, including the FortiNAC Servers and the FortiNAC software and devices used to infringe at least one claim of the '460 Patent. Defendant's FortiNAC software, as sold, contains instructions for performing the claimed methods of the '460 patent. Similarly, FortiNAC Servers are material parts of InfoExpress's claimed inventions, and are configured to practice InfoExpress's claimed methods of NAC. Additionally, Defendant's software and devices reconfigure the communication port of an access point for communicating data between a user endpoint and protected resources on a protected network, once requirements of the security policy are satisfied. Defendant's *FortiNAC 9.4.0 Administration Guide* describes an example of this on page 400, where it explains that when an access points "port changes or when a port-based CLI configuration is applied, entries are written to the Port Changes view." It

further describes, on page 427, how one "[f]irst[] determine[s] which ports will participate in network access policies and place[s] those ports in the Role Based Access Group[,]" and subsequently "[c]reate[s] your network access policies by mapping a user/host profile to a network access configuration." *See also id.* at 315 (describing different VLANs, including registration (which "[i]solates unregistered hosts from the production network during host registration") and authentication (which "[i]solates registered hosts from the Production network during user authentication"), and states that "If enabled, FortiNAC ***uses Firewall Rules to treat authenticated and unauthenticated users differently***.") (emphasis added).

75.   Defendant has known or should have known that its FortiNAC Servers and FortiNAC software and devices are especially made or especially adapted for use in infringement of the Patents-in-Suit, not staple articles, and not commodities of commerce suitable for substantially noninfringing use.

76.   To the extent 35 U.S.C. § 287 is determined to be applicable, its requirements have been satisfied with respect to the '460 Patent.

77.   InfoExpress has been damaged as a result of the infringing conduct by Defendant alleged above. Thus, Defendant is liable to InfoExpress in an amount that compensates it for such infringement, which by law cannot be less than a reasonable royalty and in an amount yet to be determined. InfoExpress is also entitled to receive such other and further relief, as this Court deems just and proper.

78.   InfoExpress alleges that Defendant's infringement of the '460 Patent has been and continues to be deliberate and willful and egregious, and, therefore, this is an exceptional case warranting an award of enhanced damages for up to three times the actual damages awarded and attorney's fees to InfoExpress pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284-285. As set forth above, Defendant has had knowledge of the '460 Patent or at least was willfully blind to its infringement, as well

as related patents and patent applications, and its infringement thereof, and yet has deliberately

continued to infringe in a wanton, malicious, and egregious manner, with reckless disregard for

InfoExpress's patent rights. Thus, Defendant's infringing actions have been and continue to be

consciously wrongful.

79.   Defendant's use of the '460 Patent is not licensed or authorized by InfoExpress in

any way.

COUNT III: INFRINGEMENT OF THE '450 PATENT

80.   InfoExpress incorporates all previous paragraphs by reference as if fully stated

herein.

81.   InfoExpress owns all substantial rights, interest, and title in and to the '450 Patent,

including the sole and exclusive right to prosecute this action and enforce the '450 Patent against

infringers, and to collect damages for all relevant times.

82.   The '450 Patent describes in technical detail each of the limitations of the claims,

allowing a skilled artisan to understand the scope of the claims and how the non-conventional

and non-generic combination of claim limitations is patentably distinct from and improved upon

what may have been conventional or generic in the art at the time of the invention.

83.   As set forth in the attached exemplary non-limiting Claim Chart (Exhibit I),

Defendant, without authorization or license from InfoExpress, has been and is presently directly

infringing, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, at least one claim of the '450 Patent,

pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), including through making, using, selling, offering to sell, and

importing, in the United States the Accused Instrumentalities.

84.   Defendant actively induces infringement under § 271(b) of at least one claim of

the '450 Patent by selling to its customers the Accused Instrumentalities with instructions as to

how to use the Accused Instrumentalities as recited in the '450 Patent. Defendant knowingly

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1 aids, instructs, or otherwise acts with the specific intent to cause an end user to use the Accused

2 Instrumentalities. As set forth above, Defendant provides to third parties (including its

3 customers) (1) brochures and literature; (2) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for

4 FortiNAC; (3) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiOS; (4) software updates;

5 (5) product support through its FortiCare Technical Support and Services; and (6) an online

6 community for NAC support, all of which instruct those third parties to infringe the '450 patent.

7 Additionally, Defendant knew of the '450 Patent and knew that its use and sale of the Accused

8 Instrumentalities infringe at least one claim of the '450 Patent, and Defendant is thus liable for

9 inducement of the '450 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

10   85.   Defendant is liable for contributory infringement under § 271(c) of at least one

11 claim of the '450 Patent by providing, and by having knowingly provided the Accused

12 Instrumentalities, including the FortiNAC Servers and the FortiNAC software and devices used

13 to infringe at least one claim of the '450 Patent. Defendant's FortiNAC software, as sold,

14 contains instructions for performing the claimed methods of the '450 patent. Similarly,

15 FortiNAC Servers are material parts of InfoExpress's claimed inventions, and are configured to

16 practice InfoExpress's claimed methods of NAC. Additionally, Defendant's software and

17 devices scan a network device connected to an access point to collect information regarding that

18 device, apply a security policy that relates to such information, and configure the access point in

19 response to a result of applying the security policy. Defendant's *FortiNAC 9.4.0 Administration*

20 *Guide* describes "scanning" on page 487, where it explains that the "Scans view allows you to

21 configure network scans or sets of rules that are used to scan hosts for compliance" and further

22 that these scans "typically consist of lists of permitted operating systems and required antivirus

23 software." *Id.*; *see also id.* at 489 (describing a "Scan on Connect" option). This Admin Guide

24 goes on to explain how FortiNAC "applies a security policy" on pages 426-27, where it explains

1   that a "network access policy consists of one user/host profile and one network access

2   configuration." Further, "the network access configuration assigns the treatment those users and

3   hosts receive when they connect to the network." *Id.*; *see also id.* at 432 ("[E]ndpoint

4   compliance policies . . . establish the parameters for security that will be enforced when hosts

5   connect to the network."). Finally, as set forth above, FortiNAC "configures" the access points

6   in response to a result of applying the security policy. *See id.* at 400, 427 *and* 315.

7   86.   Defendant has known or should have known that its FortiNAC Servers and

8   FortiNAC software and devices are especially made or especially adapted for use in infringement

9   of the Patents-in-Suit, not staple articles, and not commodities of commerce suitable for

10   substantially noninfringing use.

11   87.   To the extent 35 U.S.C. § 287 is determined to be applicable, its requirements

12   have been satisfied with respect to the '450 Patent.

13   88.   InfoExpress has been damaged as a result of the infringing conduct by Defendant

14   alleged above. Thus, Defendant is liable to InfoExpress in an amount that compensates it for

15   such infringement, which by law cannot be less than a reasonable royalty and in an amount yet to

16   be determined. InfoExpress is also entitled to receive such other and further relief, as this Court

17   deems just and proper.

18   89.   InfoExpress alleges that Defendant's infringement of the '450 Patent has been and

19   continues to be deliberate and willful and egregious, and, therefore, this is an exceptional case

20   warranting an award of enhanced damages for up to three times the actual damages awarded and

21   attorney's fees to InfoExpress pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284-285. As set forth above, Defendant

22   has had knowledge of the '450 Patent or at least was willfully blind to its infringement, as well

23   as related patents and patent applications, and its infringement thereof, and yet has deliberately

24   continued to infringe in a wanton, malicious, and egregious manner, with reckless disregard for

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InfoExpress's patent rights. Thus, Defendant's infringing actions have been and continue to be consciously wrongful.

90.   Defendant's use of the '450 Patent is not licensed or authorized by InfoExpress in any way.

COUNT IV: INFRINGEMENT OF THE '444 PATENT

91.   InfoExpress incorporates all previous paragraphs by reference as if fully stated herein.

92.   InfoExpress owns all substantial rights, interest, and title in and to the '444 Patent, including the sole and exclusive right to prosecute this action and enforce the '444 Patent against infringers, and to collect damages for all relevant times.

93.   The '444 Patent describes in technical detail each of the limitations of the claims, allowing a skilled artisan to understand the scope of the claims and how the non-conventional and non-generic combination of claim limitations is patentably distinct from and improved upon what may have been conventional or generic in the art at the time of the invention.

94.   As set forth in the attached exemplary non-limiting Claim Chart (Exhibit J), Defendant, without authorization or license from InfoExpress, has been and is presently directly infringing, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, at least one claim of the '444 Patent, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), including through making, using, selling, offering to sell, and importing, in the United States the Accused Instrumentalities.

95.   Defendant actively induces infringement under § 271(b) of at least one claim of the '444 Patent by selling to its customers the Accused Instrumentalities with instructions as to how to use the Accused Instrumentalities such as recited in the '444 Patent. Defendant knowingly aids, instructs, or otherwise acts with the specific intent to cause an end user to use the Accused Instrumentalities. As set forth above, Defendant provides to third parties (including

1   its customers) (1) brochures and literature; (2) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for

2   FortiNAC; (3) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiOS; (4) software updates;

3   (5) product support through its FortiCare Technical Support and Services; and (6) an online

4   community for NAC support, all of which instruct those third parties to infringe the '444 patent.

5   Additionally, Defendant knew of the '444 Patent and knew that its use and sale of the Accused

6   Instrumentalities infringe at least one claim of the '444 Patent, and Defendant is thus liable for

7   inducement of the '444 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

8   96.   Defendant is liable for contributory infringement under § 271(c) of at least one

9   claim of the '444 Patent by providing, and by having knowingly provided the Accused

10 Instrumentalities, including the FortiNAC Servers and the FortiNAC software and devices used

11 to infringe at least one claim of the '444 Patent. Defendant's FortiNAC software, as sold,

12 contains instructions for performing the claimed methods of the '444 patent. Similarly,

13 FortiNAC Servers are material parts of InfoExpress's claimed inventions, and are configured to

14 practice InfoExpress's claimed methods of NAC. Additionally, Defendant's software and

15 devices authenticate using an EAP protocol (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 348, explaining that

16 for Proxy RADIUS Authentication, FortiNAC "proxies 802.1X EAP authentication to a

17 customer-owned (external) RADIUS server, and for Local authentication, "FortiNAC's local

18 RADIUS Server processes RADIUS MAC and 802.1x EAP authentication without the need to

19 proxy to an external RADIUS server"), send a request for audit data to an agent running on a

20 device (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 436 ("Agent Overview") and 437 (summarizing

21 dissolvable agents, passive agents, persistent agents, and mobile agents), and 437-476

22 (describing agents in more detail); 502-05 (describing scans, including custom scans, which

23 "search the host computer for things such as antivirus software or a particular version of an

24 operating system"), receive audit data from that device in response to that request (*see* FortiNAC

1   Admin Guide at 385 ("When hosts connect to the network, the FortiNAC software determines

2   the host's state."), and apply a security policy relating to the audit data and the authentication

3   (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 425 (describing network access policies) and 432 ("[E]ndpoint

4   compliance policies . . . establish the parameters for security that will be enforced when hosts

5   connect to the network.")..

6   97.   Defendant has known or should have known that its FortiNAC Servers and

7   FortiNAC software and devices are especially made or especially adapted for use in infringement

8   of the Patents-in-Suit, not staple articles, and not commodities of commerce suitable for

9   substantially noninfringing use.

10   98.   To the extent 35 U.S.C. § 287 is determined to be applicable, its requirements

11   have been satisfied with respect to the '444 Patent.

12   99.   InfoExpress has been damaged as a result of the infringing conduct by Defendant

13   alleged above. Thus, Defendant is liable to InfoExpress in an amount that compensates it for

14   such infringement, which by law cannot be less than a reasonable royalty and in an amount yet to

15   be determined. InfoExpress is also entitled to receive such other and further relief, as this Court

16   deems just and proper.

17   100.   InfoExpress alleges that Defendant's infringement of the '444 Patent has been and

18   continues to be deliberate and willful and egregious, and, therefore, this is an exceptional case

19   warranting an award of enhanced damages for up to three times the actual damages awarded and

20   attorney's fees to InfoExpress pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284-285. As set forth above, Defendant

21   has had knowledge of the '444 Patent or at least was willfully blind to its infringement, as well

22   as related patents and patent applications, and its infringement thereof, and yet has deliberately

23   continued to infringe in a wanton, malicious, and egregious manner, with reckless disregard for

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1   InfoExpress's patent rights. Thus, Defendant's infringing actions have been and continue to be

2   consciously wrongful.

3   101.   Defendant's use of the '444 Patent is not licensed or authorized by InfoExpress in

4   any way.

5   **COUNT V: INFRINGEMENT OF THE '350 PATENT**

6   102.   InfoExpress incorporates all previous paragraphs by reference as if fully stated

7   herein.

8   103.   InfoExpress owns all substantial rights, interest, and title in and to the '350 Patent,

9   including the sole and exclusive right to prosecute this action and enforce the '350 Patent against

10   infringers, and to collect damages for all relevant times.

11   104.   The '350 Patent describes in technical detail each of the limitations of the claims,

12   allowing a skilled artisan to understand the scope of the claims and how the non-conventional

13   and non-generic combination of claim limitations is patentably distinct from and improved upon

14   what may have been conventional or generic in the art at the time of the invention.

15   105.   As set forth in the attached exemplary non-limiting Claim Chart (Exhibit K),

16   Defendant, without authorization or license from InfoExpress, has been and is presently directly

17   infringing, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, at least one claim of the '350 Patent,

18   pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), including through making, using, selling, offering to sell, and

19   importing, in the United States the Accused Instrumentalities.

20   106.   Defendant actively induces infringement under § 271(b) of at least one claim of

21   the '350 Patent by selling to its customers the Accused Instrumentalities with instructions as to

22   how to use the Accused Instrumentalities as recited in the '350 Patent. Defendant knowingly

23   aids, instructs, or otherwise acts with the specific intent to cause an end user to use the Accused

24   Instrumentalities. As set forth above, Defendant provides to third parties (including its

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1   customers) (1) brochures and literature; (2) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for

2   FortiNAC; (3) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiOS; (4) software updates;

3   (5) product support through its FortiCare Technical Support and Services; and (6) an online

4   community for NAC support, all of which instruct those third parties to infringe the '350 patent.

5   Additionally, Defendant knew of the '350 Patent and knew that its use and sale of the Accused

6   Instrumentalities infringe at least one claim of the '350 Patent, and Defendant is thus liable for

7   inducement of the '350 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

8   107.   Defendant is liable for contributory infringement under § 271(c) of at least one

9   claim of the '350 Patent by providing, and by having knowingly provided the Accused

10 Instrumentalities, including the FortiNAC Servers and the FortiNAC software and devices used

11 to infringe at least one claim of the '350 Patent. Defendant's FortiNAC software, as sold,

12 contains instructions for performing the claimed methods of the '350 patent. Similarly,

13 FortiNAC Servers are material parts of InfoExpress's claimed inventions, and are configured to

14 practice InfoExpress's claimed methods of NAC. Additionally, Defendant's software and

15 devices receive audit data pertaining to a device that does not have access to a less-restricted

16 subset of a network (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 385 ("When hosts connect to the network,

17 the FortiNAC software determines the host's state.") and 436, 437 and 437-76 (describing client-

18 side agents in FortiNAC), audit the device in accordance with a security policy based at least in

19 part on the audit data (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 432-33 (describing "endpoint compliance"

20 and how "endpoint compliance policies contain scans used to evaluate hosts . . ."), reconfigure

21 an access point to allow access to the less-restricted subset of the network in response to the

22 security policy audit (as set forth above, *see* (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 400, 427 and 315),

23 receive and evaluate updated audit data, and monitor continued compliance of the device with

24 the security policy using the updated audit data (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 502 ("With

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FortiNAC you can schedule scans to run automatically); FortiOS 7.0.0 New Features Guide at 436 ("Endpoint posture changes trigger active [Zero Trust Network Access] proxy sessions to be re-verified and terminated if the endpoint is no longer compliant with the ZTNA policy.")).

108.   Defendant has known or should have known that its FortiNAC Servers and FortiNAC software and devices are especially made or especially adapted for use in infringement of the Patents-in-Suit, not staple articles, and not commodities of commerce suitable for substantially noninfringing use.

109.   To the extent 35 U.S.C. § 287 is determined to be applicable, its requirements have been satisfied with respect to the '350 Patent.

110.   InfoExpress has been damaged as a result of the infringing conduct by Defendant alleged above. Thus, Defendant is liable to InfoExpress in an amount that compensates it for such infringement, which by law cannot be less than a reasonable royalty and in an amount yet to be determined. InfoExpress is also entitled to receive such other and further relief, as this Court deems just and proper.

111.   InfoExpress alleges that Defendant's infringement of the '350 Patent has been and continues to be deliberate and willful and egregious, and, therefore, this is an exceptional case warranting an award of enhanced damages for up to three times the actual damages awarded and attorney's fees to InfoExpress pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284-285. As set forth above, Defendant has had knowledge of the '350 Patent or at least was willfully blind to its infringement, as well as related patents and patent applications, and its infringement thereof, and yet has deliberately continued to infringe in a wanton, malicious, and egregious manner, with reckless disregard for InfoExpress's patent rights. Thus, Defendant's infringing actions have been and continue to be consciously wrongful.

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1   112.   Defendant's use of the '350 Patent is not licensed or authorized by InfoExpress in

2   any way.

3   **COUNT VI: INFRINGEMENT OF THE '645 PATENT**

4   113.   InfoExpress incorporates all previous paragraphs by reference as if fully stated

5   herein.

6   114.   InfoExpress owns all substantial rights, interest, and title in and to the '645 Patent,

7   including the sole and exclusive right to prosecute this action and enforce the '645 Patent against

8   infringers, and to collect damages for all relevant times.

9   115.   The '645 Patent describes in technical detail each of the limitations of the claims,

10 allowing a skilled artisan to understand the scope of the claims and how the non-conventional

11 and non-generic combination of claim limitations is patentably distinct from and improved upon

12 what may have been conventional or generic in the art at the time of the invention.

13   116.   As set forth in the attached exemplary non-limiting Claim Chart (Exhibit L),

14 Defendant, without authorization or license from InfoExpress, has been and is presently directly

15 infringing, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, at least one claim of the '645 Patent,

16 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), including through making, using, selling, offering to sell, and

17 importing, in the United States the Accused Instrumentalities.

18   117.   Defendant actively induces infringement under § 271(b) of at least one claim of

19 the '645 Patent by selling to its customers the Accused Instrumentalities with instructions as to

20 how to use the Accused Instrumentalities as recited in the '645 Patent. Defendant knowingly

21 aids, instructs, or otherwise acts with the specific intent to cause an end user to use the Accused

22 Instrumentalities. As set forth above, Defendant provides to third parties (including its

23 customers) (1) brochures and literature; (2) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for

24 FortiNAC; (3) webinars, training videos and demonstrations for FortiOS; (4) software updates;

(5) product support through its FortiCare Technical Support and Services; and (6) an online community for NAC support, all of which instruct those third parties to infringe the '645 Patent. Additionally, Defendant knew of the '645 Patent and knew that its use and sale of the Accused Instrumentalities infringe at least one claim of the '645 Patent, and Defendant is thus liable for inducement of the '645 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

118.   Defendant is liable for contributory infringement under § 271(c) of at least one claim of the '645 Patent by providing, and by having knowingly provided the Accused Instrumentalities, including the FortiNAC Servers and the FortiNAC software and devices used to infringe at least one claim of the '645 Patent. Defendant's FortiNAC software, as sold, contains instructions for performing the claimed methods of the '645 Patent. Similarly, FortiNAC Servers are material parts of InfoExpress's claimed inventions, and are configured to practice InfoExpress's claimed methods of NAC. Additionally, Defendant's software and devices formulate and send audit requests to user devices (i.e. endpoints) (*see* FortiNAC Admin Guide at 432-33 (describing "endpoint compliance" and how "endpoint compliance policies contain scans used to evaluate hosts . . ." and "can also use an agent on the host to ensure [] compliance")), receive information in response to those audit requests, evaluate that information (*see* FortiNAC 9.4.0 Admin Guide at 487 (explaining that "the Scans view allows you to configure network scans or sets of rules that are used to scan hosts for compliance" and further that these scans "typically consist of lists of permitted operating systems and required antivirus software"); *see also id*. at 489 (describing a "Scan on Connect" option)), receive authentication information from the device using an extensible authentication protocol (EAP) (as set forth above, *see* FortiNAC 9.4.0 Admin Guide at 348, 349), and configure an access point in response to approval of the endpoint device by a gatekeeper (as set forth above, *see* FortiNAC 9.4.0 Admin Guide at 400, 427 and 315).

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119.   Defendant has known or should have known that its FortiNAC Servers and FortiNAC software and devices are especially made or especially adapted for use in infringement of the Patents-in-Suit, not staple articles, and not commodities of commerce suitable for substantially noninfringing use.

120.   To the extent 35 U.S.C. § 287 is determined to be applicable, its requirements have been satisfied with respect to the '645 Patent.

121.   InfoExpress has been damaged as a result of the infringing conduct by Defendant alleged above. Thus, Defendant is liable to InfoExpress in an amount that compensates it for such infringement, which by law cannot be less than a reasonable royalty and in an amount yet to be determined. InfoExpress is also entitled to receive such other and further relief, as this Court deems just and proper.

122.   InfoExpress alleges that Defendant's infringement of the '645 Patent has been and continues to be deliberate and willful and egregious, and, therefore, this is an exceptional case warranting an award of enhanced damages for up to three times the actual damages awarded and attorney's fees to InfoExpress pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284-285. As set forth above, Defendant has had knowledge of the '645 Patent or at least was willfully blind to its infringement, as well as related patents and patent applications, and its infringement thereof, and yet has deliberately continued to infringe in a wanton, malicious, and egregious manner, with reckless disregard for InfoExpress's patent rights. Thus, Defendant's infringing actions have been and continue to be consciously wrongful.

123.   Defendant's use of the '645 Patent is not licensed or authorized by InfoExpress in any way.

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VI.   DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38(b), InfoExpress hereby demands a trial by jury of any and all issues triable of right before a jury.

VII.   PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, InfoExpress respectfully requests that the Court:

A.   Enter a judgment that Defendant has infringed one or more claims of the Patents-in-Suit;

B.   Enter a preliminary and permanent injunction against Defendant and its officers, employees, agents, servants, attorneys, instrumentalities, and/or those in privity with them from infringing the Patents-in-Suit and for all further and proper injunctive relief pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 283.

C.   Enter a judgment awarding Plaintiff InfoExpress of such damages adequate to compensate it for Defendant's infringement of the Patents-in-Suit, including lost profits but no less than a reasonable royalty, as well as pre-judgment and post-judgment interest at the maximum rate permitted by law;

D.   Order Defendant to pay damages adequate to compensate InfoExpress for Defendant's infringement, together with interest and costs under 35 U.S.C. § 284;

E.   Order Defendant to pay supplemental damages to InfoExpress, including interest, with an accounting, as needed;

F.   Declare this case exceptional pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285;

G.   Declare that Defendant's infringement is willful, wanton, deliberate, and egregious and that the damages awarded to InfoExpress should be enhanced up to three times the actual damages awarded;

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1   H.   Award Plaintiff InfoExpress its costs, disbursements, expert witness fees, and

2 attorneys' fees incurred in prosecution this action, with interest; and

3   I.   Award Plaintiff InfoExpress other such and further relief, including equitable

4 relief, as this Court deems just and proper.

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