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Morse Case Study

Risks to corporate security from the web

The Morse Group's ('Morse') 1,200 employees are located in offices throughout the UK, France, Germany, Spain and Ireland. They provide its pan-European customer base with computing infrastructures and professional services. Reputation and integrity are essential to Morse's business, protecting the Morse network from the evolving threat of web viruses is a high priority.

"Virus writers have switched from attack by mail to attack from the web, which means that any employee surfing the web could unwittingly bring a virus into the enterprise and seriously compromise corporate security," commented Chris Mitchell, IT Director of Morse.

The prohibitive costs of local installations across multiple sites

Mitchell decided to combat the risks inherent to employee Internet access: "All companies should be aware of this risk, and have suitable safeguards in place."

Over the past five years Morse has grown organically and through acquisitions. The success-driven growth and acquisitive nature of the company required that any solution be easily and cheaply scalable. Additionally, its multiple office locations made the cost of any local installations prohibitive.

Complete management at the Internet level

Morse redirected all of its Internet traffic through the MessageLabs managed service, a proactive, multi-layered system, blocking threats well before they are able to make it near the corporate network.

Due to Morse's multiple locations, a completely managed at the Internet level solution with no requirements for local hardware or software made MessageLabs the ideal solution. Furthermore, as Morse continues to grow, additional scanning capacity can be made available with minimal disruption while ensuring performance is never compromised. Since Morse launched with the MessageLabs Managed Web Security solution, services have proved extremely effective, stopping over 3,000 different types of threats.

For more information about a proactive email security service, working around the clock and around the globe, visit www.messagelabs.com.