

Press Release

Trover Foundation Hospital Buys ESPION's [MX]Lock HIPAA Compliance Device

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BATON ROUGE, LA--(MARKET WIRE)--Jan 19, 2006 -- ESPION International, Inc. (Other OTC:[EPLJ.PK](#) - [News](#)), the leader in Artificial Intelligence based Enterprise Solutions, announced today that Trover Foundation Hospital has purchased an ESPION Interceptor with ESPION's new email encryption module, [MX]Lock. Beta tests of the [MX]Lock module have also begun at a large Louisiana community bank, a multi-state insurance company, and a national electronic trading facility. Several hospitals and high tech firms are also evaluating the product.

The Interceptor equipped with the [MX]Lock module is a secure email appliance that provides customers with both inbound protection from spam, viruses, hacking and phishing attacks as well as outbound compliance capabilities using proprietary email encryption technology. Healthcare organizations such as the Trover Foundation Hospital are required to comply with government mandated HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) regulations regarding the electronic transfer of protected health information. HIPAA requires hospitals and healthcare organizations to ensure the confidentiality, integrity and availability of all electronic Protected Health Information (ePHI) that they create, receive, maintain or transmit.

CEO Drew Burdsall of ESPION states, "We are pleased that Trover Foundation Hospital is our newest user of the [MX]Lock module, and that they recognized the utility of our encryption technology for the safe transfer of ePHI. ESPION has developed a unique and strong 1024-bit dual key encryption technology that does not require any additional software or keys to be installed, making it the easiest to use and most secure HIPAA compliance product on the market."

Chief Technology Officer, Murali Chakravarthi, stated, "Many healthcare organizations are finding that they need to hire additional IT staff simply to work with the encryption solution because of all the time that is required to enroll users, administer passwords, reset passwords, etc. Unlike most products out there, the [MX]Lock system allows the user to enroll themselves and create their own security questions so they can retrieve their own password to ensure secure electronic communication. This virtually eliminates the necessity of adding more administrators, or even demanding more of the administrator's time."

About ESPION International

ESPION International, Inc., a Baton Rouge, Louisiana-based company, is the foremost in development and deployment of Artificial Intelligence-based solutions for the email gateway and network security industries. The current ESPION product range features appliances for email gateway security, anti-spam and secure email.

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