

## Ingram Micro Awarded Top U.S. Distributor Recognition From Fortinet

## IT Distributor's Advanced Technology Division Honored for Excellence in Network Security Market at Fortinet Global Partner Conference

SANTA ANA, CA -- (MARKET WIRE) -- 12/05/11 -- Underscoring its technical, marketing and sales expertise within the network security category, Ingram Micro Inc. (NYSE: IM) today announced it was honored as the top 2011 U.S. distribution partner for Fortinet® (NASDAQ: FTNT). The award was accepted by Ingram Micro at this year's Fortinet Global Partner Conference.

In recognizing Ingram Micro and its Advanced Technology Division, Fortinet executives highlighted the distributor's success and dedication to accelerating channel adoption of the vendor's wide range of unified threat management (UTM) and specialized network security solutions.

"With our strong presence both globally and in the U.S., this recognition truly points to Ingram Micro's drive to distinguish itself as a leading Fortinet distribution partner," says Rob Gattis, director of Americas distribution for Fortinet. "The Ingram Micro team gives 110 percent to its channel partners and the Advanced Technology Division offers the resources, enablement and support our mutual partners need to thrive as network security specialists and meet market demands. We are very pleased to recognize Ingram Micro with this honor."

"Network security is a competitive, high-growth category that Ingram Micro excels in -especially when it comes to enabling our channel partners to stay on the cutting edge of technology and abreast of the trends and business needs impacting sales cycles and enduser demand," says Eric Kohl, senior director, Advanced Technology Division, Networking & Security Business Unit, Ingram Micro U.S. "We look forward to building on our success with Fortinet and empowering our mutual channel partners to grow their businesses and gain greater specialization."

Channel partners interested in learning more about Ingram Micro's Fortinet offerings should contact their Ingram Micro sales representative.

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As a vital link in the technology value chain, Ingram Micro creates sales and profitability opportunities for vendors and resellers through unique marketing programs, outsourced logistics, technical and financial support, managed and cloud-based services, and product

aggregation and distribution. The company is the only global broad-based IT distributor, serving more than 150 countries on six continents with the world's most comprehensive portfolio of IT products and services. Visit <u>www.ingrammicro.com</u>.

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