

The Organization

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The Challenge

Safeguard sensitive transactions within a large distributed network, reduce IT workload and improve productivity to enable this family owned and operated temporary staffing firm to continue its growth path

The SonicWALL Solution

A centrally-managed network protected by Unified Threat Management services, including high-performance firewall, content management and wireless solutions tailored for ease-of-use and reliability

The Results

- Easily-managed network provides secure and reliable connectivity between local offices and headquarters and allows for streamlined processing of functions including payroll and banking.
- Central management capabilities reduce the time required to get new sites up and running and ongoing management and maintenance is handled with just a few clicks.
- Content management and wireless solutions provide additional security and Internet access at headquarters and local offices.

Staffing firm deploys SonicWALL to secure network

Able Body Labor is a family owned and operated temporary staffing firm committed to matching community residents with local employment opportunities. Based in Florida, Able Body Labor has grown from its first location in Largo, Florida to more than 130 locations in 16 states. Since 1986, Able Body Labor has been a part of most important construction projects in the markets they serve.

The company has doubled in size over the last several years and needed a technology solution to support its evolving security and management needs. They needed more proactive security measures and installed a SonicWALL® PRO 3060 high-performance security appliance and Unified Threat Management (UTM) services to protect its systems from growing Internet-based threats. Soon after, Able Body started adding SonicWALL TZ Series firewall appliances in each branch office to safeguard daily finance and payroll transactions through secure VPN connections with corporate headquarters.

“By implementing SonicWALL network security and management solutions in our headquarters and branch offices, Able Body has introduced new efficiencies and cost controls into our growing organization. SonicWALL’s expanding technology offerings have supported our evolving security and management needs,” says Paul Zimorski, CIO of Able Body Labor.

Business Growth Leads to Centralization

Due to its growing geographic distribution the company’s IT team found it was spending more time handling firewall security updates and Internet access settings for the growing number of remote offices. To ease the burden on its in-house IT resources, and to streamline ongoing security updates at all locations, Able Body worked with SonicWALL channel partner Vertical IT Solutions to build an expanded centralized network management solution based on SonicWALL deep packet inspection technology.

Vertical IT Solutions is one of Florida’s leading providers of outsourced information technology services and consulting expertise for small and medium sized businesses (SMBs). For 16 years, Vertical IT has been providing enterprise-class technology services to SMBs at a fraction of the cost.

Vertical IT installed SonicWALL’s award-winning Global Management System software (GMS) to centralize reporting, monitoring and management for all remote office firewall appliances. Now, Able Body’s IT team can easily manage the growing network from its headquarters.”

Able Body Case Study

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*– Paul Zimorski, CIO,
Able Body Labor*

SonicWALL Benefits

- Superior Unified Threat Management performance at headquarters and branch offices to improve reliability and transaction processing times from SonicWALL's deep packet inspection firewalls.
- Fast, secure remote access to network resources with SonicWALL's IPSec VPN firewalls. Secure wireless capabilities enable enhanced flexibility and productivity.
- Central management and monitoring with Global Management System (GMS) Software including ViewPoint graphical reporting to turn log files into meaningful reports.

SonicWALL Reduces IT Burden and Centralizes Network Management

"Our remote office payroll transactions, employment checks and daily banking activities are more secure and much faster now," notes Paul Zimorski, CIO of Able Body Labor. "SonicWALL's solutions have been ideal, providing reliable, easy-to-use integrated security for all our offices. The recent addition of SonicWALL GMS, with the help of Vertical IT, has decreased the time required to get new sites up and running. Now we can handle ongoing management and maintenance with just a few clicks. Vertical IT also installed new SonicWALL content management and wireless solutions giving us additional security and Internet access at our headquarters." time required to get new sites up and running. Now we can handle ongoing management and maintenance with just a few clicks. Vertical IT also installed new SonicWALL content management and wireless solutions giving us additional security and Internet access at our headquarters."

In addition to installing SonicWALL GMS, Vertical IT has helped Able Body Labor extend its security protections with the addition of a SonicWALL Content Security Manager (CSM) for content filtering. SonicWALL CSM integrates advanced content management capabilities with real-time gateway anti-virus, anti-spyware and intrusion prevention to improve employee productivity and optimize network utilization. Vertical IT also added SonicWALL SonicPoint access points at Able Body Labor's headquarters to provide secure wireless network access. Both products are also easily managed using SonicWALL GMS.

"Able Body Labor has streamlined IT deployment time for new offices and significantly reduced IT management time using SonicWALL GMS," adds Joel Wonicker-Cook, director of sales for Vertical IT Solutions. "As a partner, we know the value of SonicWALL's secure networking products. We were happy to take the entire implementation to the next level with the addition of SonicWALL GMS, content management and wireless solutions. Able Body Labor has been pleased with the entire solution."



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