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**en-terpret.co PROVIDES FIVE VITAL
TECHNOLOGY CONSIDERATIONS
WHEN ALLOWING EMPLOYEES TO
WORK FROM HOME**

CHICAGO, IL – If You Are One Of The Thousands Of Organizations That Allows Your Employees To Work From Home, Beware! Technology firm en-terpret.co, which provides consulting services to small and medium sized businesses throughout the U.S., Canada and Australia, just released a Special Report providing critical items regarding technology that organizations must take into consideration when employees work from a home office, either full or part-time, if they want to have a secure exchange of information.

“Working remote is becoming commonplace in today’s work environment, and has the potential for significant productivity gain” suggests Daniel Harris, Principal of en-terpret.co. “Many organizations are allowing their employees to work from home at least part of the time,” he adds. In fact a US. Bureau of Labor and Statistics report states that 20.7 million individuals work at home at least one day per week, as part of their primary job.

With this onslaught of virtual workstations, there are many things that organizations need to keep in mind to help things run smoothly and ultimately protect themselves from the very perilous world of online computing. “Many organizations allow employees to set up their own remote working environment without considering the potential security and data protection risks this could pose for them,” Harris instructs. “We feel strongly that it is our job, as technology service providers, to help organizations think through the many factors involved in remote access

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technology and to help them design a situation that will serve them the best,” he continues.

“Security is of vital importance when working remotely,” Harris adds. In fact, a recent client study the firm conducted reports that 81 percent of participants note having confidential information being exchanged via email and 82 percent feel it is important or very important that they are able to securely exchange information in email form. en-terpret.co’s special report addresses ways to ensure that this happens.

The en-terpret.co report covers the following five considerations when taking on remote access technology:

1. Having “official” remote access is a must! – Having official remote access designed right into your organization’s operating system and implemented and supervised by a professional will go far to ensure that vital company information does not fall into the wrong hands.
2. Does your company have a VPN (virtual private network)? – A virtual private network ensures that all data transferred remotely will be encrypted while in transit to its final destination. A VPN by itself does not guarantee data and information security, but it is a key ingredient.
3. Where is your data being stored? – Consider looking into hosted “shares,” a centralized data storage location for all your vital information. Otherwise, you may have confidential or vital information stored on unmanaged home computers!
4. What type of remote devices will your employees use? – Their own home computers? Company-provided equipment? Airport Kiosks? The bottom line is that it is important to understand how the remote device will be used and make sure it has the proper security to keep your organization protected.
5. How secure is your user’s location? – If your organization is considering remote access or already employs this policy, it is imperative to have a full understanding of the security level of each of your employee’s systems. Do their children also use the system? Is file sharing available on this system? Unsecured wireless networking? All of these can expose your company’s data to the world!



For a copy of en-terpret.co's Special Report entitled *Remote Access Technology - Five Important Considerations*, contact Daniel Harris at 773-868-4381 or dharris@en-terpret.com.

About en-terpret.co – Founded in 2000, en-terpret.co provides system consulting services for small to medium size business. It supplies strategic and tactical technology consulting services, design and implements solutions for its clients. Specializing in knowledge management, it helps clients achieve business goals by creating the most effective technical applications to maximize intellectual capital.

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