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Proofpoint, Inc. Files Registration Statement for Proposed Initial Public Offering

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – December 14, 2011 – Proofpoint Inc., a pioneering provider of cloud-based security and compliance solutions for enterprise messaging and collaboration, today announced that it has filed a registration statement on Form S-1 with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the proposed initial public offering of its common stock. The number of shares to be sold and the price range for the proposed offering have not yet been determined.

Credit Suisse Securities USA (LLC) and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. will act as lead joint book-running managers for the offering. RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Pacific Crest Securities LLC and First Analysis Securities Corporation will act as co-managers.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time that the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction.

The offering will be made only by means of a prospectus. Copies of the preliminary prospectus related to the offering may be obtained, when available, from Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Attention: Prospectus Department, One Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10010, 1-800-221-1037; from Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Attention: Prospectus Department, Harborside Financial Center, 100 Plaza One, Jersey City, NJ 07311-3988, or by telephone toll free at 1-800-503-4611, or by email at prospectus.cpdg@db.com.

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