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## SC Magazine Readers Select Proofpoint as a Finalist in the 2013 SC Awards for Best Email Security Solution

SUNNYVALE, CA -- (Marketwire) -- 12/12/12 -- Proofpoint, Inc. (NASDAQ: PFPT), a leading security-as-a-service provider, has been named a Readers Trust Award finalist in the "Best Email Security Solution" category for the 2013 SC Awards. The [Proofpoint Enterprise Protection](#)™ and [Proofpoint Enterprise Privacy](#)™ cloud-based email security, data loss prevention and email encryption solutions have been chosen as one of the information security industry's most effective solutions, addressing the most pressing security challenges facing today's enterprises. Proofpoint's solution has been recognized as a top product in the Reader Trust Award competition, which honors best-in-class security products and services, with winners selected by a panel of readers who represent the circulation of SC Magazine.

"Our readers are among the most knowledgeable security professionals in the industry so it is quite a statement to be selected by SC Magazine readers as one of the best," said Illena Armstrong, vice president and editorial director of SC Magazine.

Proofpoint Enterprise Protection and Proofpoint Enterprise Privacy were selected from hundreds of entries submitted across 34 technology categories. Winners will be selected by a panel representing a cross-section of SC Magazine readership comprised of large, medium and small enterprises from all major vertical markets, including financial services, health care, government, retail, education and other sectors.

"Email security remains one of the most challenging enterprise IT security issues. The vast majority of today's advanced targeted attacks begin as spear phishing and similar email-borne attacks. This trend has led many enterprises to replace their legacy anti-spam solutions with our security-as-a-service platform," said David Knight, executive vice president of products for Proofpoint, Inc. "It's an honor to be recognized by the readers of SC Magazine as one of the market's most effective solutions to combatting advanced threats and meeting data privacy challenges."

The SC Awards, now in its 16th year, are the premier global recognition for information technology security professionals and products that fend off the myriad security threats in today's corporate world. The annual awards showcase the best solutions, services and professionals while recognizing achievement and technical excellence. SC Magazine distinguishes the achievements of the security professionals in the field, the innovations happening in the vendor and service provider communities and the fervent work of government, commercial and nonprofits.

Winners of this year's SC Awards U.S. will be announced at a gala dinner and award ceremony to be held in San Francisco on Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2013.

### *About SC Magazine*

SC Magazine provides IT security professionals with in-depth and unbiased information through timely news, comprehensive analysis, cutting-edge features, contributions from thought leaders and the best, most extensive collection of product reviews in the business. By offering a consolidated view of IT security through independent product tests and well-researched editorial content that provides the contextual backdrop for how these IT security tools will address larger demands put on businesses today, SC Magazine enables IT security pros to make the right security decisions for their companies. In addition to the monthly print edition, the brand's portfolio includes a vibrant website ([scmagazine.com](http://scmagazine.com)); SC Congress New York, Toronto and Chicago; SC Awards; SC MarketScope; and SC Magazine Newswire.

### *About Proofpoint, Inc.*

Proofpoint, Inc. (NASDAQ: PFPT) is a leading security-as-a-service provider that focuses on cloud-based solutions for threat protection, compliance, archiving & governance and secure communications. Organizations around the world depend on Proofpoint's expertise, patented technologies and on-demand delivery system to protect against phishing, malware and spam, safeguard privacy, encrypt sensitive information, and archive and govern messages and critical enterprise information. More information is available at [www.proofpoint.com](http://www.proofpoint.com).

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