



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **CONFIGURESOFTE UNVEILS SUM 2.7 ADDING MULTI-LANGUAGE PATCH SUPPORT**

*Provides Secure, Distributed Patch Support for  
Spanish, Danish and French Operating Systems and Applications*

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.—June 14, 2005**— Configuresoft, an innovator in systems management technology and the creator of the enterprise compliance management market, will unveil this month the latest version of its award-winning patch assessment and verification module Security Update Manager (SUM) 2.7, ensuring enterprise security for Windows platforms through proactive IT infrastructure compliance. SUM 2.7 will provide automated, intelligent security remediation and patch verification for Spanish, French and Danish operating systems and applications to accommodate for the global nature of today's business and compliance efforts.

By leveraging the vast repository of configuration information in Configuresoft's Enterprise Configuration Manager (ECM) comprehensive configuration database (CCDB), organizations can quickly conduct a pre-deployment assessment to ensure machines are configured correctly and minimum requirements are met prior to installing patches. This approach dramatically increases patch success rates in large enterprises and reduces the network bandwidth required to secure machines inside and outside of the firewall-protected DMZ. ECM/SUM recently earned the Best Systems Management Solution at the 2005 Best of TechEd Awards conducted by *Windows IT Pro* and *SQL Server Magazine*.

Configuresoft's tools help secure and manage Windows servers at the Tennessee Valley Authority, the nation's largest public power provider, by analyzing enterprise configurations, uncovering system vulnerabilities and delivering the necessary remediation solutions to address those vulnerabilities. SUM's automated configuration change management and maintenance ensure that each managed system conforms to the rigorous security and configuration settings defined by the agency. Using a powerful combination of ECM and SUM, TVA can reduce configuration security threats, decrease system downtime and reduce overall administration costs.

“To properly manage security policies and configurations across an organization, IT teams demand tools that not only push policies to devices, but also verify policies in the operational infrastructure, said Trent Henry, analyst at The Burton Group. “By assessing an organization's system requirements and providing a quick remediation tool, patch management systems help to address an organization's compliance requirements around change management.”

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“In this age of the global economy, it is critical to provide an efficient, centralized solution that allows organizations to verify and perform patch remediation throughout the world. SUM automates security patch delivery and verification by alerting administrators to new security bulletins issued by Microsoft,” said Chris Farrow, director, Configuresoft’s Center for Policy & Compliance (CP&C).

“To ensure the effectiveness of Microsoft patching in an enterprise, our CP&C team researches and tests all Microsoft security packages and then releases SUM assessment helpers. SUM helpers intelligently inspect entire networks to detect vulnerabilities, provide details on any configuration changes made to the system, and deploy required patches to all the target machines, even rebooting the machine if required,” added Farrow.

Configuresoft’s CP&C Team is comprised of policy experts, former auditors and early contributors to the Federal mandates and standards. After release, the SUM assessment helpers provide continuous protection by ensuring servers and workstations remain within full compliance. SUM Security Updates are generally available within 24 hours of a Microsoft release and can be easily downloaded and installed from Configuresoft’s secure customer portal.

### **About Enterprise Configuration Manager**

ECM centralizes and automates the tasks of monitoring, managing and auditing the hardware and software configurations deployed in large enterprise networks or Web server farms. By standardizing server and client configurations, ECM ensures operational compliance to regulatory, industry and corporate standards throughout a computing infrastructure. Sustained by the industry’s most proven scalable architecture, ECM collects detailed critical configuration data from each Windows, UNIX, and Linux server and workstation—storing that information in a centralized database for immediate access, analysis and reporting. ECM enforces security policies by automatically resetting configurations to their pre-defined standards when an unauthorized change (or deviation) occurs. These powerful capabilities help IT organizations keep their critical systems properly configured, while ensuring security compliance with regulatory requirements such as HIPAA, GLBA, Sarbanes-Oxley and FISMA.

### **Pricing and Availability**

SUM 2.7 will be available on June 30, 2005. Pricing will start at \$25 per server and \$5 per workstation.

### **About Configuresoft**

Configuresoft is an innovator in systems management technology, serving eight of the 25 world’s largest computing environments. Based in Colorado Springs, Colorado, the Company offers enterprise configuration, policy compliance and remediation products that span both operations and IT security. At a time in which organizations must maintain a continuous state of audit throughout their infrastructure, Configuresoft ensures these environments conform to any desired or mandated state. To contact Configuresoft, call 719.447.4600, visit us on the Web at [www.configuresoft.com](http://www.configuresoft.com) or write to [info@configuresoft.com](mailto:info@configuresoft.com).