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Vendor Safe's New *PCI Managed Security Suite*[™] Gives Restaurants and Merchants a Single Source for Rapid, Low-Cost Credit Card Fraud Prevention

PCI Security Suite setup accelerates PCI compliance to within 30 days

LAS VEGAS, July 14, 2008 (*from the Retail Solution Providers Association's 2008 Retail NOW Summer Convention and Expo, Booth 137*) – Houston-based Vendor Safe Technologies today introduced its new ***PCI Managed Security Suite*[™]**, a one-stop solution that enables restaurants and other merchants to comply with the credit card industry's PCI DSS requirements for preventing credit card fraud. For restaurant owners that don't have an IT staff dedicated to securing their environment, *PCI Managed Security Suite* delivers a complete, low-cost PCI compliance solution that employs best practices-driven management of network security, data access and policies & procedures.

Restaurants are more susceptible to credit card fraud than any other merchant category. Data recorded by Visa revealed that more than 40% of incidents in which criminals gained unauthorized access to credit card information occurred in restaurants. The Chipotle Mexican Grill and Dave and Buster's chains rank among the more notable cases where extensive theft occurred.

The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS, commonly referred to as PCI) is a set of required security practices designed to protect merchants from unauthorized access that could lead to data breach, credit card data theft, fraud and financial loss. All merchants that store, transmit, or process payment card information must comply with PCI standards.

Vendor Safe simplifies the complex process of PCI compliance, making it easier for merchants to make prudent decisions. The Vendor Safe *PCI Managed Security Suite* addresses the three critical exposure areas of PCI compliance:

- **Network Security**, including firewall configuration, remote access, port limitation, public and private network segregation, and encryption of card holder data;
- **Data Access**, including external file transfer, wireless and access elements, and local and remote monitoring ; and
- **Policies & Procedures**, including security policies, firewall setup and incident management.

All *PCI Security Suite* solutions are easily implemented and affordably priced for a monthly fee.

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“Vendor Safe brings a revolutionary new concept to market that enables organizations to become PCI compliant within 30 days,” said Chris Melson, CEO of Vendor Safe. “Our initial customers, including James Coney Island and Barry’s Pizza, know that their financial and operating assets are protected by the highest levels of security, from the point-of-sale system to the back office.”

About Vendor Safe

Founded in 1989 as Paracom IT, an organization offering managed network and security services, Vendor Safe Technologies shifted its business model in 2008 to focus on the burgeoning need for Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) compliance. Vendor Safe/Paracom IT emerged as a leader in delivering innovative security technologies by helping organizations to manage their IT environment while delivering unsurpassed levels of data reliability and security. With proven global solutions, Vendor Safe facilitates PCI compliance, enabling companies to concentrate on their business. To learn more, visit booth 137 or the Vendor Safe website at www.vendorsafe.com.

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