

Small Business Technology Report

Turning The Internet Into Your Private Network

(NAPSA)—In today's environment, companies both large and small have been forced to reassess their security measures. Even small businesses have potential vulnerabilities and need to adopt computer-security programs to safeguard their corporate information. For years, large companies have adopted remote access solutions that allow employees to access corporate networks over the Internet from their home offices, hotels and client sites—but these “virtual private networks” or VPNs were too costly and complicated for small- and medium-sized companies.

Smaller businesses have been intimidated, not only by the cost and complexity, but also by the difficult administration of most VPN solutions.

Today, small companies have found that VPN service providers can deliver a VPN installation in a matter of hours for subscription-based prices that work for companies from five people to 500.

Perfection Truss, a Kansas company with 60 employees that builds custom construction trusses adopted a service solution called InstantVPN from Imperito to securely manage large file transfers from remote locations.

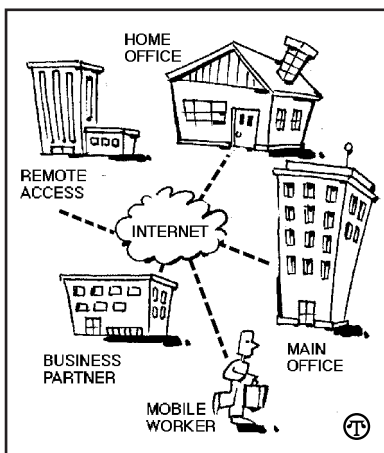
It's useful for companies whose employees travel, telecommute, work in branch offices or for partner firms.

The system is both easy and inexpensive to set up and maintain.

Remote users can now make local calls to an ISP or use their home DSL or cable connections to connect back to their office network. Users can then securely access e-mail, share files, run applications, and use printers from wherever they are in the world—just as if they were in the office.

Imperito's solution also features:

- Three-click installation
- Easy administration



Once only large companies could turn the Internet into their own “private virtual network,” but now these VPNs are available for small- and medium-sized businesses, too.

- Economical yearly subscription pricing

- Works with leading firewalls

You do not have to be a VPN expert to install or maintain InstantVPN from Imperito. The company says unlike traditional VPNs, its installation is done in hours not days and users have easy access to the company network from anywhere in the world using a local Internet connection.

For security purposes, users can be added, moved or deleted in real time. Managers can also quickly set up temporary users, such as a short term contractor.

For many small businesses, it can mean a big reduction in expensive long distance calls once needed for secure remote access to the company's network. Some companies may save 40 to 60 percent of long distance costs.

Small businesses should look for a VPN solution that is quick to deploy, simple to use and easy to manage.

You can learn more online at www.vpn.net.