

## Re: [fw-wiz] Netscreen firewalls

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--On Friday, December 15, 2006 12:43 PM -0500 Mike LeBlanc <mleInfosec@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

All,  
I'm looking for guidance on vulnerabilities/downsides to the Netscreen firewalls. I am not looking to start a flamefest on Netscreen but simply am looking for the downside.  
We currently are a cisco pix shop and have monitoring and change management built around cisco. I have done a google on Netscreen vulnerabilities and issues but didn't find much current data. Any information is appreciated in advance, including links to current data. Additionally if you have personal experience, positive or negative, with Netscreen I would like to hear it.. off list if so desired.

Thanks in advance for any information you can provide,

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Having done firewall evaluations for several multinational banks, NetScreen is pretty much the best thing out there in packet filter land. Much better than FW-1 and PIX, especially under heavy load. They're not perfect by any means, but they have the best virtual firewall support I've seen, which makes them great for consolidation projects or compartmentalizing your rules to lower operational risk. They're routing support is pretty good as well - if you have ethernet demarc'd WAN connections you can avoid paying for a separate routing tier in many cases.

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