

Re: pcAnywhere...Outbound Only.

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Working within reasonable limitations is always our challenge for security. I was taught practically that at least as far as the Internet connection goes, trust your internal users and don't trust the outside world. You can apply a security policy to this limiting services without restricting by user or IP and still be trusting of the inside world. Note, this does not mean you trust everyone inside with regard to specific internal or DMZ systems... only the perimeter.

I think it's quite reasonable to allow all users pcAnywhere access to a specific address. I assume the same service to all other addresses is denied and only a very few people will ever know that specific address which is allowed.

We do something similar in allowing Citrix access outbound to an outsourced HR server farm. We're not set up yet to be able to grant permissions through the firewall based on the network logon. Until we can do that, it is a reasonable risk to allow everyone access to that server farm since 99.8 percent of the company have no idea they could or the address to access. We do restrict Citrix access out to all other addresses.

Cheers!

Nuzman

----- Original Message -----

From: "tony toni" <tony572001@hotmail.com>

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Subject: pcAnywhere...Outbound Only.

> Hi,

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> We have a rule on our firewall that allows all employees to use pcAnywhere
> to connect to a host OUTSIDE of our network. It is in one
direction...that

> is from inside our network to an outside host and not vise versa. Our

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- > *firewall administrator, came to me and asks me if I had any security issues*
- > *with this. He does not want the hassle of maintaining a list of employees that can do this.*
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- > *I do not see any glaring problems doing this....what do you think?*
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- > *Tony Graves*
- > *Security Services*
- > *Walton International Transportation Corp.*
- > *Seattle, Wa.*
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