

Re: Out of the Pond

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Chu Rey <blablababa@xxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Please direct us to another posting board if this is an inappropriate listing.

We're totally frustrated end users working with an international retail company. We work in marketing, advertising.

We work in a very secure network with unbelievable constraints. To protect the accounting department's databases we in the creative section are unable to perform basic operations. Downloading software. Adding the printers. Inserting usb devices. We are unable to start an online retail business because of "security." We cannot take online college courses. We are unable to explore opportunities using blogs. We are prevented from checking out retail opportunities on MySpace, and You Tube. We thought all these marketing business exploits would be basic, normal internet activities. Just the usual day to day operations in retail.

Here in this corporate office it's all convoluted passwords, secured emails, and very limited internet site exploration. In the past month the company was shut down twice because of hackers infiltrating the business. Suspicious packets? Security specialist are paid to come in and fix the compromised system. It's completely annoying. It's as though the creative end is held hostage not from the outside hacking violation but from the networking department.

A fellow worker thought why not just sign up for a Dsl service and run a connection into our department. The cost for this would be around \$40.00 monthly. We have all those spare computers, monitors, hardware, and so forth so the only cost to the company would be for a Dsl connection.

We would be completely independent from the corporate network. No more files sharing, print sharing, firewall security, changing passwords, and so on. We would have two to four computers running on this alternate connection. We would be able to do our work, unfettered, without restraints.

We are so frustrated. One would have thought the network

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administrators would have thought of this very simple arrangement. We just want to get our job done. Create an online retail presence. Get involved with the current technologies such as MySpace and YouTube. Get savvy with integrated social networking. We need to think 'out of the box' and somehow get out there into the internet ocean. This marketing pond we are housed within is becoming very stagnant.

I would appreciate feedback on the plausibility of bringing in a line, independent of the corporate network, so we can fully participate in the internet retail experience.

You would get your ass fired. In fact, I'd be willing to come and fire you myself for subversion against the company.

Work with your IT department. If you have a need and they're not fulfilling it, then go to their managers and yours. Take it up the chain until either your ideas are shot down, or their stupidity is reined in.

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