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I don't know if Cisco offers trial versions or not. You should check the options for the VPN client you're currently using. I would expect almost any good VPN client to allow for integration with the logon sequence.

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That sounds perfect (well, actually perfect would be if windows xp already did this). Do you know if Cisco has any trial software programs so that I can test it to make sure it works? I've looked all over their site and I couldn't find anything...

Thanks,  
Wells

"Doug Knox MS-MVP" wrote:

The Cisco VPN client we use has an option to remain active, even if the user logs off. It will actually come up as part of the logon process so the user can authenticate against the VPN server, then logon via the domain. Log off and the VPN client is still running in the background and the machine can be administered remotely.

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I may be going about this the wrong way but currently my company has many laptops out all over the country that connect to the internet through various ISPs, most of which use NAT. I need to be able to manage these machines and my preferred way to do this is to have these machines create a VPN connection to the server in our central office (it has a static IP) and then to use Remote Desktop to do what ever I need to do on the remote PC. The problem here is that as soon as I login to the remote PC it logs the current user on that PC out, which causes the VPN connection to die.

How do I get around this? Is there any way to keep the VPN connection open?

Thanks,  
Wells