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Polytechnic Institute of NYU Deploys Array Networks SSL VPN for Secure Layer 3 Remote Access

SSL VPN with DesktopDirect feature enhances productivity for Polytechnic's IT department with simple, secure remote access

MILPITAS, CA – August 13, 2008 – [Array Networks](#) Inc., a leading provider of optimized and secure universal access solutions, today announced that Polytechnic Institute of NYU, an affiliate of New York University has deployed [Array's SSL VPN solution](#) to provide secure Layer 3 remote access to network applications for its approximately 5,000 faculty, students and employees. Additionally, Array's [DesktopDirect](#) provides users with simple-click, enterprise class remote access to desktops.

Array's SSL VPN provides customized virtual portals which allow NYU-Poly's faculty, students and employees access to their own individual information anytime, anywhere while maintaining secure access control. For example, students can register for classes online, change their address, pay bills and check grades. Faculty can log on to their own research WebPages and employees can log on to access human resources files and other financial systems. In addition, Array's SSL VPN is able to re-direct resources to Oracle / PeopleSoft Enterprise resource planning systems, which increases network efficiency.

Before the SSL VPN deployment, NYU-Poly's IT department would have to "punch holes in its firewall" each time users required access. This was particularly burdensome for Polytechnic, which experiences significant turnover in its user base every semester as students enroll and graduate. By deploying Array's SSL VPN, the institute was able to establish a centralized IT management system for remote access that is reliable and scalable.

"Providing university users with a cost-effective, secure access solution has been our goal. When we looked for an SSL VPN product, we needed a solution that could handle Layer 3 connections, was easy to deploy and would provide us with great performance," said Hani Basilius, technical director for Polytechnic. "Array's product exceeded our expectations in every perspective. It offers exceptional performance, easy-to-use features that fulfill our larger mission of providing innovative / cutting edge technology."

Array's SSL VPN also includes DesktopDirect, which provides users with secure and simple remote desktop access. Now, with the DesktopDirect feature, every user has self-managed registration for remote desktop access, which saves the IT department a significant amount of time spent repairing firewall holes, as well as cleaning up other systems, which ultimately enhances productivity.

“Universities have extremely challenging remote access needs,” said Sunil Cherian, Vice President of Product Marketing for Array Networks. “They have a large amount of users that require anywhere, anytime access to their desktops and applications. This is an environment where Array’s SPX SSL VPN solution shines by delivering a fast, customized end-user experience unmatched by the competition.”

About Array Networks

Founded in 2000, Array Networks is a global leader in enterprise secure application delivery and universal access solutions for rapidly growing SSL VPN and application acceleration markets. More than 2,500 customers worldwide including enterprises, service providers, government and vertical organizations in healthcare, finance, insurance and education rely on Array to provide anytime, anywhere secure and optimized access. In addition to Polytechnic Institute of NYU, industry leaders that include companies such as Deloitte, Red Herring, and Frost and Sullivan have recognized Array as a market and technology leader.

About Polytechnic Institute of New York University: Polytechnic Institute of New York University (formerly Polytechnic University), an affiliate of New York University, is New York’s most comprehensive school of engineering, applied sciences, technology and research, and is rooted in Polytechnic’s 154-year tradition of innovation, invention and entrepreneurship. The institution is one of the nation's oldest private engineering schools founded in 1854 in Brooklyn, New York. In addition to its main campus at MetroTech Center in Brooklyn, Polytechnic offers programs at sites throughout the region, including Long Island, Manhattan and Westchester. For more information, and to learn more about the Power of PolyThinking, please visit www.poly.edu

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