

# Riptech, Inc. is a DEFTA Portfolio Company

## News Release

### SYMANTEC TO ACQUIRE RIPTECH

CUPERTINO, Calif. – July 17, 2002– Symantec Corp. (Nasdaq: SYMC) today announced the acquisition of Riptech, Inc. for approximately US\$145 million in cash. The combination of the two companies will create the leading provider of managed security services worldwide monitoring and managing the largest number of security devices across the broadest array of solutions. The acquisition, conditioned upon customary regulatory approvals and other customary conditions contained in the acquisition agreement, is expected to close by mid-August 2002.

“Riptech has been identified as the clear leader in managed security services, with the strongest vision for the future of the industry,” said John W. Thompson, Symantec chairman and chief executive officer. “They bring a proven infrastructure along with industry-specific expertise in the power and energy, financial services, healthcare and telecommunications sectors that we can leverage worldwide.”

“Riptech has seen tremendous success in the last few years, currently providing comprehensive security monitoring and management for more than 500 customers in 30 countries including 55 of the Fortune 500, emerging e-businesses and government agencies,” said Amit Yoran, Riptech president and chief executive officer. “By joining the world leader in Internet security, we can leverage Symantec’s financial stability, channel strength, technology leadership and world-class response capabilities to significantly change the landscape of managed security services.”

The combination of Symantec and Riptech will create a global network of world-class Security Operations Centers operating around the clock in Virginia, Texas, the United Kingdom, Germany and Japan. Through a unique combination of cutting-edge technology, operational 24x7 Security Operations Centers and unparalleled staff expertise, Riptech combines active security vigilance with customized management and immediate response. Riptech’s proprietary Caltarian technology platform collects data, normalizes it and gives Riptech’s industry leading security operations center analysts the tools they need to actively interpret and address all security data from an entire network. The vendor-neutral solution supports all major security products.

**Riptech, Inc.**, the premier provider of scalable, real-time managed security services, protects clients through advanced outsourced security monitoring and professional services. Riptech’s unique Caltarian technology platform provides real-time information protection through around-the-clock monitoring, analysis and response. The Caltarian technology is capable of processing volumes of network security data to separate security threats from false positives in real-time, with carrier-class scalability. Founded in 1998 by Department of Defense security professionals and market experts, Riptech delivers its service globally and is headquartered in Alexandria, Va., with offices in major metropolitan areas.

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