

## Leading Carrier in Japan selects F5 Networks for New SSL VPN Service Offering



### Industry:

Telecommunication and IP solution service provider

### Challenges:

- Secure network access from any location
- Ease of installation and maintenance

### Solution:

- F5's FirePass®

### Benefits:

- Secured remote access to applications and data using Standard Web browser technology - regardless of environment

### Overview

NTT Communications is one of Japan's largest Internet carriers catering to more than 4 million subscribers.

### Challenges

NTT Communications was providing its subscribers with VPN services using IP Sec (Internet Protocol Security). However, with the increasing volume and complexity of security threats in the Internet in the last few years, more and more subscribers are looking for reliable Internet connection services, ranging from dial-up to gigabit Ethernet connectivity.

In response to its customers' demand, the company went in search of a more reliable and robust solution that could help it meet more stringent requirements set by regulators and demanded by customers.

### Solution

Upon careful analysis, F5 Network's FirePass SSL VPN emerged the best choice for NTT as its total solution can be built quickly and inexpensively. In addition, the robust Network Access feature also enabled users to securely, reliably and seamlessly access any application from remote devices without any special configuration.

The solution was purchased and implemented in May 2004 and it

took the engineers only a short time to configure and demonstrate a working solution.

Subsequently, the new service was made available through NTT's Open Computer Network (OCN) Business Pack, enabling the subscribers to gain secure remote access to applications and data using Standard Web browser technology - regardless of environment.

### Conclusion

Since the successful implementation of F5's FirePass SSL VPN solution, NTT had progressed ahead of its competition to be the leader in providing secure Internet access in Japan!





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