

Honda MPE



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INDUSTRY

Wholesale Trade

COUNTRY

Australia

PRODUCT TYPE

TRITON® Web
and Data Security

SIZE

450 Users

SECURITY ISSUE

Protecting Sensitive Data

OVERVIEW

[Honda Motorcycle and Power Equipment](#) (MPE) is part of the global Honda brand. It is estimated that approximately 1 million Honda products are used throughout Australia every day, which includes the use of motorcycles, power equipment, engines, outboards, and motor vehicles. Products are imported from the USA, Japan, Thailand, Italy, Belgium and China. Honda MPE actively exports products to New Zealand, South Africa, South Pacific, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Spain. Products are also distributed nationally around Australia. Because Honda MPE is a high-profile, Australian national company, it constantly needs to prevent sensitive data leakages and protect its user’s access to the Internet.

CHALLENGE

Craig Bassett is the Senior Manager of the IT department at Honda MPE. Included in his role is the responsibility to meet Honda’s global network security standards.

“In recent years, Honda has experienced a number of data leakage incidents. We need to control and protect the usage of

the Internet by our staff and ensure that sensitive data is not leaked outside the organization.”

— Bassett

With that said, the IT department at Honda made it clear that it needed to be flexible when restricting and monitoring user access to the Web. Finding that balance between flexibility and security was a constant challenge for the company.

“The overriding requirement was not to restrict our staff from performing their roles but to purely protect them and Honda from any malicious intent.”

— Bassett



SOLUTION

After an extensive research of the market, Honda MPE found that Forcepoint™ TRITON Web Security met every requirement as its flexible and reliable security solution. In 2010, the company first implemented TRITON in order to monitor its user Web access from one, unified console.

“We found that Forcepoint checked every box for Web filtering and at that time we were excited with the prospect of managing our whole security environment through one management console.”

— Bassett

RESULTS

A year later, in 2011, Honda implemented Forcepoint TRITON Data Security. The installation was simple and the product provided Honda with a safe and productive working environment. The company was able to fine-tune existing policies to meet its system requirements.

The Forcepoint appliance came pre-configured with “best-practice” policies and settings which allowed the IT department at Honda to easily coordinate the new security solution to meet its own needs such as time and data quotas. For Bassett and his team at Honda MPE, this was a necessary security solution in order to maintain a productive future for the company.

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Honda MPE has relied on Forcepoint security solutions since 2010.

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