Press Release

Minisoft Releases PCI Compliant Versions of ODBC, JDBC, and OLE DB

Snohomish, WA, December 1, 2009: Minisoft has begun shipping PCI DSS capable versions of its ODBC, JDBC, and OLE DB middleware drivers for Eloquence and Image databases that incorporate SSLv3 (Secure Socket Layer) and TLSv1 (Transport Layer Security) for secure encrypted connections. SSL/TLS is primarily used to encrypt confidential data sent over an insecure network such as the Internet. Minisoft's new secure connection options allow a user to specify the PCI compliant levels along with the type of encryption (Change Cipher Spec Protocol) required by an organization's auditor or compliance officer.

Major credit card companies such as Visa and MasterCard are pushing hard to stop the financial fraud incidents that have affected numerous organizations and their consumers. Organizations that accept payment card transactions are duly bound to comply to PCI DSS by July 1, 2010. Organizations that fail to comply, risk not being allowed to handle cardholder data and fines of up to $500,000 if the data is lost or stolen. Minisoft customers that want to be PCI DSS (Data Security Standard) compliant should update to these new versions of the Minisoft ODBC, JDBC and OLE DB middleware drivers.

The Minisoft ODBC, JDBC, and OLE DB middleware drivers support MPE Image, Eloquence 8.0, Windows 7.0, and Windows 64-bit SQL Enterprise Server. Our drivers run on HP/UX, MPE, Windows, Linux, Solaris, AIX, and Macintosh operating systems.

What is PCI?

The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) is a set of requirements designed to ensure that **ALL** companies that **process, store** or **transmit** credit card information maintain a secure environment. Essentially any merchant that has a Merchant ID (MID). The Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI SSC) was launched on September 7, 2006 to manage the ongoing evolution of the Payment Card Industry (PCI) security standards with focus on improving payment account security throughout the transaction process. The PCI DSS is administered and managed by the PCI SSC (www.pcisecuritystandards.org), an independent body that was created by the major payment card brands (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover and JCB.). It is important to note, the payment brands and acquirers are responsible for enforcing compliance, not the PCI council.

PCI Data Security Standards Website
https://www.pcisecuritystandards.org/security_standards/pci_dss.shtml

About Minisoft

Headquartered in Snohomish, WA, Minisoft is a leader in developing and delivering document management, connectivity, and client-server middleware tools for the Hewlett Packard, IBM, UNIX/Linux, Windows, Solaris, and Macintosh computer platforms. With over 10,000 customers worldwide Minisoft is a major supplier of such solutions. Minisoft has received numerous awards for its innovative software technologies and customer service. For more information, visit www.minisoft.com.

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