

IT Governance urges organisations to mitigate POS malware and comply with the PCI DSS

ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE, UNITED KINGDOM, September 21, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- IT Governance, the leading provider of cyber security, PCI DSS and penetration testing services and products, is urging organisations to mitigate point-of-sale (POS) malware by maintaining compliance with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS).

This comes in response to a recent report from the Office for National Statistics (ONS), which reveals that, of almost 6 million incidents in the UK, 2.8 million incidents are a result of bank and credit account



fraud crimes, 2 million incidents were caused by computer misuse and 1 million resulted from activities related to online shopping or fake support calls.

Alan Calder, the founder and chief executive officer of IT Governance, said: "These findings prove that organisations need to prioritise PCI DSS compliance. Wendy's, Omni Hotels and Eddie Bauer are just a few organisations to have suffered a data breach caused by POS malware this year. That's why we urge organisations to mitigate POS malware by achieving and maintaining compliance with the PCI DSS.

"Although the PCI DSS is a complex and technical standard to comply with, it provides organisations with the assurance that they have implemented the controls and processes to avoid POS malware and data breaches."

Merchants and service providers must comply with the PCI DSS in order to minimise the risk of payment card fraud.

Organisations wishing to comply with PCI DSS in a time- and cost-effective manner can opt for IT Governance's CREST-accredited <u>PCI Compliance Penetration Testing services</u>. This fixed-price, bespoke penetration testing service offers a combination of level 1 and level 2 penetration testing that will help organisations meet their PCI DSS compliance requirements.

Additionally, organisations can achieve compliance with the PCI DSS by using IT Governance's expert-developed <u>PCI DSS Documentation toolkit</u>. The toolkit contains expert guidance, advice and fully customisable templates, and equips compliance teams with the tools to strengthen their project.

Moreover, as a QSA company, IT Governance helps its clients maintain PCI DSS compliance through the <u>PCI DSS Implementation and Continual Improvement</u> solution. It provides a qualified PCI team that can help meet any organisation's assessment, remediation, validation and maintenance requirements.

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