

## nCircle is Common Criteria EAL 3 Certified

In May of 2005, nCircle completed a security certification to Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL) 3 under the Common Criteria Evaluation and Certification Scheme (CCS). Common Criteria certification provides government agencies and commercial enterprises with proven third-party assurance that our solutions can meet the toughest demands of mission-critical security environments. nCircle is the only vulnerability management vendor to have achieved certification for EAL3.

Common Criteria is an internationally recognized set of guidelines (ISO 15408), which define a common infrastructure for IT security products. The standard consists of several predetermined assurance levels ("Evaluation Assurance Levels") that the vendor can choose to be tested against, each one more stringent than the last. Common Criteria certifications are mutually accepted by 21 countries, including the United States government. nCircle IP360 was tested by an independent third-party Common Criteria Test Lab; Electronic Warfare Associates-Canada, Limited (EWA-Canada).

## **Fast Facts**

- nCircle is the only vulnerability management vendor to be certified to EAL3
- nCircle received Common Criteria certification in May 2005
- Common Criteria certification is recognized in 21 countries
- Common Criteria certification is an ISO standard ISO 15408

## **About Common Criteria Certification**

Common Criteria for IT Security Evaluations (also known as ISO 15408), was developed by the national security organizations of the

United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Germany and The Netherlands. It provides a broad range of evaluation criteria for many types of commercial and nationally sensitive government-use IT security products. Common Criteria evaluations involve formal rigorous analysis and testing to examine security aspects of a product or system. Extensive testing activities involve a comprehensive and formally repeatable process, confirming that the security product functions as claimed by the manufacturer. Security weaknesses and potential vulnerabilities are specifically examined during an evaluation.

## nCircle Common Criteria Resources

nCircle's Certificate of Product Evaluation <a href="http://www.ncircle.com/pdf/various/nCirclewebcertificate.pdf">http://www.ncircle.com/pdf/various/nCirclewebcertificate.pdf</a>

nCircle Press Release http://www.ncircle.com/index.php?s=news\_press\_2005\_0516

The Common Criteria Validated Products List http://www.commoncriteriaportal.org/public/developer/index.php?menu=7



"The CC certification of IP360 is a significant milestone because nCircle has now set the standard for network vulnerability management."

- Erin Connor, Director, EWA-Canada test lab