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## PEARL SOFTWARE EXPANDS SUPPORT FOR VISTA AND GROUPWISE

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### *Increased Security a Key Focus in Internet Monitoring Software*

**Exton, PA – June 6, 2007** - Pearl Software, Inc., announced the release of Version 8.0 of Pearl Echo, its leading Employee Internet Monitoring and Web Filtering software. This latest release has been tailored to support the strict security rules introduced by Microsoft's Vista Operating System. The product also supports control of secure web sites and the unique email monitoring and filtering requirements for users of Novell's GroupWise Email and Instant Messaging.

"With Vista, Microsoft introduced User Account Control which aims to improve the security of using Windows as a standard user by locking down what users can and cannot do on their machines. It also creates serious curve balls for what third party application developers like Pearl Software can and cannot do," said Joe Field, Pearl Software's CTO. "We had to make comparatively dramatic changes to operate with this security paradigm but ultimately we ended up with a stronger product with improved efficiencies." Building on this security focus, Version 8.0 provides blocking of secure web sites known as SSL or HTTPS. "Organizations often times want to ensure that users are not surreptitiously transmitting or accessing data on web sites that the organization cannot audit due to data encryption," stated Field. This latest release of Pearl Echo also allows the Novell community to audit, control and filter secure e-mail and instant messaging for users of Novell's GroupWise products, a market that Pearl believes has not been properly served.

Pearl Echo is an e-communications monitoring, filtering and control solution enabling effective management of employee Internet usage in mobile, desktop and server-centric environments. Pearl Echo actively captures employee web browsing, file transfers, news, chat, IM, e-mail and web-mail, including all encoded attachments. Internet access permissions can be set at the group and user level, based on time controls, keyword triggers, allow-lists, block-lists and a dynamic library of web domain category filters. More information on Pearl Software and its suite of products can be found at <http://www.pearlsw.com>.

### **About Pearl Software**

Pearl Software was founded in 1996 by David Fertell and Joe Field. The company provides Internet monitoring, filtering and control products to government agencies, corporations, hospitals, schools and libraries throughout the world. Pearl Software's key patent-pending products include Pearl Echo®, Website-Echo™ and IM-Echo™. The company also offers browser control software, TakeMeHome™ and partners with law enforcement to extend the application of its remote and mobile Internet monitoring and control capabilities. For additional news on Pearl Software, please visit <http://www.pearlsw.com/news>

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