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**ARIZONA GOVERNOR RECOGNIZES PATCHLINK CORPORATION AS
INNOVATOR OF THE YEAR**

*PatchLink Raises Industry Patch Management Standards with
Patent-pending Digital Patch Fingerprinting? Technology*

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz.— December 17, 2003—Noted as a key business technology company in Arizona, PatchLink Corporation (www.patchlink.com) has received “Innovator of the Year” recognition from the Arizona Governor’s Celebration of Innovation Awards. Acknowledging the company’s significant business success in the past calendar year, the award was presented by Governor Janet Napolitano to PatchLink Corporation for its contribution to Arizona through the development of patch management software that keeps enterprise computer systems updated and secure from hackers.

In the same spirit of improving the nation’s cybersecurity environment and as the industry-leading provider of automated, cross-platform patch management software, PatchLink Corporation has raised awareness for the need of this type of vulnerability remediation. The company’s flagship patch management software, PatchLink Update, is a cross-platform, enterprise-class system that integrates unparalleled patent-pending, patch detection features such as its digital Patch Fingerprinting? technology.

PatchLink Update software is the only automated patch management product on the market today that uses patent-pending digital Patch Fingerprinting functionality to regularly and effectively scan client systems (or nodes) in the enterprise network that have been preinstalled with PatchLink Advanced Client Agent technology. This critical and innovative component of the automated patch management process scans the entire network for patch-related security holes and provides a report of the potential security problems. Administrators can then easily and efficiently distribute the right patch to network servers at the right time, closing patch-related security holes, thereby reducing potential risk.

Founded on the desire to simplify and secure network administration, PatchLink Corporation has two guiding principles. First, PatchLink strives to make life easier for security and network administrators. Secondly, PatchLink dedicates itself to providing the same network and security administrators with the right tools and solutions to automate critical patch management processes and procedures.

ABOUT PATCHLINK CORPORATION

Consistently ranked by industry experts as the proven leader in patch management, PatchLink Corporation (www.patchlink.com) currently celebrates 12 years of enterprise security success. With a strong reputation for providing the IT community with unparalleled network and security management software products, today PatchLink Corporation's software is installed on more than 4 million nodes worldwide. The company has garnered much attention for its PatchLink Update? automated, cross-platform, security patch management software. PatchLink Update is a revolutionary solution for rapid enterprise-wide detection and deployment of critical patches for software, hardware and drivers from a wide variety of vendors.

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