

Hydro One Telecom Inc. partners with Fortinet to offer Canadian customers market leading flexibility and security with Secure SD-WAN

TORONTO, May 26, 2020 – Hydro One Telecom Inc. today announced the launch of their Secure SD-WAN, a robust, fully-managed network connectivity service to support customers’ digital transformation and cyber security needs. This cloud-based offering is powered by [Fortinet Secure SD-WAN](#), which features advanced routing and next-generation firewall security in a single, integrated offering to reduce security risks, simplify infrastructures, and improve user experience for business critical applications—in the data center or in multi-cloud environments.

“With the acceleration of cloud adoption, companies are realizing that legacy networks lack the flexibility, resources and applications needed to power today’s digitally transformed marketplace,” said John Papadakis, President and CEO, Hydro One Telecom. “To protect against ever-evolving cyber threats, companies must integrate cyber security into all aspects of their IT operations. We’re proud to partner with Fortinet to offer a security-integrated turn-key SD-WAN service that addresses our clients’ connectivity and cyber security needs.”

“Secure SD-WAN is an important and hugely impactful technology for all of our customers,” said John Maddison, EVP of products and CMO at Fortinet. “We’re partnering with Hydro One Telecom to ensure customers have the best SD-WAN capabilities rolled out in their networks to realize significant cost savings, improved performance and better user experience. Fortinet’s Secure SD-WAN solution enables enterprise customers to accelerate their cloud connectivity with cloud on-ramp capabilities across colocation and multi-cloud.”

Offered as a fully managed service, Hydro One Telecom Secure SD-WAN offering integrates easily with legacy WAN services like MPLS, to provide hybrid enterprise WAN solutions and direct multi-cloud connectivity to enterprise branch offices. Through cloud-based automation and management tools, Secure SD-WAN ensures increased agility, improved user-experience and optimized WAN operating costs, while protecting the customers’ network and IT resources against cybersecurity threats.

Additional features include:

- Intelligent, multi-link control and traffic routing
- Single-pane-of-glass management with zero-touch deployment
- Real-time monitoring of link utilization and Quality of Service (QoS) performance
- End-to-end security, with inter-site traffic encryption using IPSec VPN technology
- Managed next-generation firewall (NGFW) cybersecurity protection
- Low total cost of ownership, when compared to legacy systems

Hydro One Telecom provides a full suite of cloud services, network connectivity, data backup and secure storage options for its customers to choose from. Secure SD-WAN is the latest addition to Hydro One Telecom’s growing data and telecommunications services following the introduction of cloud-based Backup as a Service (BaaS) and Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) offerings.

Customers can learn more at [HydroOneTelecom.com](https://www.HydroOneTelecom.com) or by calling 1-866-345-6820.

About Hydro One Telecom Inc.

Hydro One Telecom delivers high-capacity telecommunications solutions to enterprises, wholesalers and public sector agencies via an expansive fibre-optic network across Ontario and extending into the United

States. Hydro One Telecom provides high-speed data networking services for Network-to-Network, Cloud-to-Cloud, Network-to-Cloud and Data Centre-to-Data Centre business requirements and is a wholly owned subsidiary of 2486267 Ontario Inc., which is wholly owned by Hydro One Limited.

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