

Merchant Data Systems Selects PCI Compliance Provider ControlScan for Their Merchant Portfolio

Offerings Available through ControlScan Provide Merchant Data Systems Merchants with Comprehensive and Easy-to-Use PCI Compliance Solutions

Miami Beach, FL and Atlanta, GA (PRWEB) June 25, 2009 -- Merchant Data Systems (merchantdatasystems.com), a full service payment processing company, has joined forces with ControlScan (controlscan.com), a leading provider of Payment Card Industry (PCI) compliance and security solutions exclusively focused on small- to medium-sized merchants, to help its merchants meet mandatory requirements set forth by the PCI Security Standards Council (PCI SSC).

"To demonstrate our commitment to cardholder data security, Merchant Data Systems has partnered with ControlScan to help our merchants validate compliance with the PCI Data Security Standards (PCI DSS)," said Drew Freeman, president, Merchant Data Systems. "We are very impressed with how ControlScan's proactive outreach programs help educate and engage merchants through the complex PCI compliance process. The ControlScan tools are easy-to-use tools and their support team holds the merchant's hands throughout assuring that they will achieve and maintain a high security posture. It is critically important that our ISO Partners know their provider is ensuring their merchants' full compliance and ControlScan enables this confidence."

Merchant Data Systems merchants will now have access to ControlScan's PCI 1-2-3 compliance solution, available online via a Web-based merchant portal called myControlScan.com, which provides merchants with the leading tools and support necessary to analyze, remediate and validate PCI compliance, including:

- PCI 1-2-3 Self Assessment Questionnaire
- PCI 1-2-3 Vulnerability Scanning
- PCI 1-2-3 Security Policy Builder
- PCI 1-2-3 Security Awareness Training
- Personal Touch Support

"We are excited to be working with Merchant Data Systems in this partnership," said Joan Herbig, chief executive officer, ControlScan. "Merchant Data Systems' commitment to providing its merchants with best-in-class solutions like ControlScan's PCI 1-2-3 suite will reduce their risk exposure from merchant card breaches and help their business grow, as they are providing a service-based approach to assist merchants."

For more information about this partnership, please call 1-800-825-3301.

About Merchant Data Systems:

Merchant Data Systems was founded in 1997. As a full service payment processing company, Merchant Data Systems offers ISO/MSP programs including a full array of services including Credit Card Processing, Debit Card Processing, Check Guarantee, Check Conversion, Electronic Benefits Transfer, Equipment Sales & Leasing, 24/7 Customer Service and Technical Help Desk, Merchant Cash Advances and Gift Card. Merchant Data Systems focuses on the needs of both the merchant community and its ISO's including the acquisition of residuals and merchant portfolios. For more information visit www.merchantdatasystems.com.

About the [PCI Compliance](#) Provider, ControlScan:

Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, ControlScan is the leading provider of Payment Card Industry (PCI) compliance and security solutions designed exclusively for small- to medium-sized e-commerce and retail merchants, which make up 98% of all merchants. ControlScan provides easy-to-use Web-based security solutions and a personal level of service that make it easy and cost-effective for these businesses to analyze, remediate and validate compliance. The company's core offerings are complemented by a number of value-added products that help merchants maintain a high security posture and market their achievements to shoppers, most notably Breach Protection insurance and Verified Secure security seals. ControlScan is the solution of choice for small merchants and acquirers because it offers security solutions that are built specifically with the small merchant in mind, a personal level of service and the best results. Acquirers and other merchant service providers rely on ControlScan to manage PCI compliance programs for their entire merchant portfolios to ensure maximum compliance rates. For more information about ControlScan call 1-800-825-3301 or visit www.controlscan.com.

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