SUCCESS STORY

Kordia Group Gains Greater Protection and Maintains

Summary
When your employees are required to utilize a wide variety of software, it can be hard to find a security product that will give them the freedom to do their jobs while simultaneously maintaining company security.

This was the challenge Head of IS Architecture, Simon Turner, was experiencing at Kordia Group Ltd. The established technology solutions provider was able to turn to CB Protection to keep both its Australian and New Zealand business divisions secure.

A Specific Hunt for Security
Kordia had long been aware of the benefits of whitelisting and the principal of least privilege, so when a strategy of prioritizing the application of the ASD (Australian Signals Directorate) top 4 was put into action Kordia began looking in earnest for a solution that would give them the benefits of both, without slowing the business down.

“The classic model of locking down everyone's desktops super tight simply doesn't work for us,” noted Turner. Kordia's team of engineers are constantly using new software and they need the flexibility to go forth with their day-today jobs without continuous interruptions on the security side - hence why least privilege access is applied. That's why Kordia turned to CB Protection.

“Carbon Black was the only provider that was able to give (Kordia) the security we need, but also give users the ability to get on and do their work...with almost more control over their PCs.”

INDUSTRY
Technology

COMPANY SIZE
850+ employees

SECURITY CHALLENGES
+ Users needed the freedom to perform their jobs
+ Security team needed to simultaneously maintain company security

PRODUCT
CB Protection

KEY BENEFITS
+ Minimal effort to install and maintain product
+ Product has proven to be a light touch system
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Trust in Protection

As many may have noticed in the security world, having both whitelisting and minimized administrative privileges can be a struggle for a company. This has not been the case for Kordia since deployment of CB Protection. “It was a standout product for us,” Turner explains, “the effort required to install and maintain it appeared to be much lower than other products in its class.” Since using CB Protection, the product has proven to be a “light touch system” for Turner. Kordia has not had to put in a huge amount of effort on an ongoing basis with CB Protection.

Kordia engineers are not the only ones that have saved time by using CB Protection. For Turner’s team, the product has been particularly useful as they now don’t have to constantly review and approve new applications, or apply new updates.

People are able to “get on and do their job more quickly and react to requirements of installing new software,” Turner has witnessed. By allowing users the freedom to install the software that they need, CB Protection has provided Kordia with greater protection and greater efficiency.

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Simon Turner, Head of IS Architecture

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