

GARGOYLE INVESTIGATOR™

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Cortland, NY January 22, 2007 - WetStone Technologies, Inc. is proud to announce that the Defense Cyber Crime Institute (DCCI) has found "Gargoyle to be an effective tool for Law Enforcement and forensic communities"

WetStone's Gargoyle Investigator™ application is a popular digital investigation tool that provides investigators with the ability to triage computers for the presence of malware, (**malicious software**). The key element to the Gargoyle technology is the use of the expansive datasets such as steganography tools, hacking tools, key loggers, denial of service tools, anti-forensics tools and more.

WetStone's Steganography dataset currently contains 467 various steganographic information-hiding tools used to create channels of covert communication. As the use of steganographic tools requires minimal technical knowledge, many of these programs are freely downloadable from the Internet. It is a continuous challenge to keep the database up to date as new programs are created and distributed daily.

"Gargoyle Investigator™ was able to rapidly identify the hash values of a significant number of the files, modules and applications that are found in the distribution libraries of a considerable number of steganography programs," stated the DCCI report. Also noted in the report, DCCI states "Gargoyle was able to identify, with a high degree of accuracy, steganography programs that are currently on or have at one time been on suspect media even though only a small fraction of the library may currently reside."

The summary of the report states that Gargoyle Investigator™ is a tool that DCCI finds valuable for Law Enforcement and forensic investigation use for the detection of steganography programs. The Defense Cyber Crime Institute January 2007 report is available upon request. To obtain a copy, please contact Kelly Ivey at Kelly.Ivey@wetstonetech.com

"It has been a pleasure working with the DCCI and they have helped us tremendously to better our Steganography dataset. We are looking forward to working with them for further testing on other malicious software datasets for the Gargoyle Investigator™ application," stated Chet Hosmer, Chief Scientist of WetStone Technologies, Inc.

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