

WALKER CORP. SECURES MASSIVELY DISTRIBUTED NETWORK WITH SONICWALL

Longtime customers increase reliability and ensure business continuity.

Business need

Australia's largest private diversified development company, Walker Corporation, was founded more than a half-century ago. Today, the company's diverse business portfolio consists of large commercial assets, property developments, a luxury resort, retail environments, industrial developments, an aviation operation and more. Although Walker Corporation has been a SonicWall customer for more than 20 years, recently the company decided it was time for an upgrade and began looking for a reliable and agile solution that could ensure both connectivity and security at all of its locations worldwide.

Solution

After taking stock of its needs, Walker Corporation ultimately decided to deploy a number of NSa 240, NSa 220, NSa 215, and TZ Series next-generation firewalls, as well as a mixture of NSa 4650, NSa 3600 and NSa 2650 firewalls in high-availability (HA) configurations at its larger locations.

The SonicWall firewalls in many of these places provide the network gateway to all building services, including BMS, lighting, elevators/lifts, access control and CCTV. At the company's Melbourne facility in particular, the HA deployment covers more than 30 LANs and multiple WANs over six commercial towers and 10,000 square meters of retail space.

Results

By setting the LAN Zone to "untrusted," the company has been able to ensure that, by default, no devices could talk outbound or across layer 3 to other networks — a move which has increased security companywide. The SonicWall gateway security suite, combined with an appropriate network design, has provided a truly secure precinct network, ensuring business continuity to Walker Corporation's tenants.

The company considers its latest deployment just the latest chapter in a successful 20-year partnership. "We have been able to overcome all types of networking and security challenges with SonicWall," Walker Corporation CIO Simon Farrow said. "From policy-based tunnel VPNs, to virtual ARP gateways, to clever routing and NAT policies, there's almost nothing we haven't been able to solve.

"I'm a big fan of SonicWall firewalls, and the support has been terrific over the years," Farrow concluded.

Benefits

- Provides connectivity over massively distributed business
- Increases security and protection from advanced threats
- Ensures connectivity to employees and tenants via HA configuration

Solutions at a glance

- [SonicWall NSa Series](#)
- [SonicWall TZ Series](#)

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SIMON FARROW
CIO, WALKER CORPORATION



CUSTOMER PROFILE

Company	Walker Corporation
Industry	Property development, asset management and resorts
Country	Australia
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