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Quest Software has successfully tested Toad for SQL Server 5.6 for compliance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) security requirements for Federal Desktop Core Configuration (FDCC) compatibility for Microsoft Windows XP and Vista.

The results of these tests demonstrate that in each instance, the FDCC reference image remained compliant with the security configuration tests represented in the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAP) data streams.

More specifically, our testing determined that the standard installation, operation, and un-installation of Toad for SQL Server does not alter the configuration settings from the current approved FDCC configuration.

Finally, it has been verified that Toad for SQL Server, which is designed for normal end users, for the most part operates as designed in the standard user context without elevated system administration privileges. There is one exception, whereby a current bug prevents the starting and stopping of the SQL Agent with a Regular User or an Admin User account on the client side. A workaround is to start the SQL Agent on the server side.

We utilized the FortiScan appliance from the NIST SCAP validated vendor Fortinet to conduct our SCAP testing and certification. The following three FDCC scans were run:

- Guidance for Securing Microsoft Windows XP Systems for IT Professional - Corrected (Version 1.1.0.0.2)
- Guidance for Securing Microsoft Windows XP Firewall for IT Professional (Version 1.1.0.0.0)
- Guidance for Securing Microsoft Internet Explorer 7 for IT Professionals (Version 1.1.0.0.2)

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