

## AVANQUEST'S SYSTEM SUITE 7 PROFESSIONAL OFFERS STATE-OF-THE-ART PC PROTECTION

Award-Winning Utility Software Package is Loaded with Hundreds of Diagnostic and Maintenance tools Designed to Keep PCs Running Like New.

PLEASANTON, Calif. - October 24, 2006 - Avanquest Software, a leading developer and publisher of business and consumer software for the global PC market, today introduced System Suite 7 Professional, its most powerful and comprehensive PC security, diagnostics and maintenance solution ever. The latest version of System Suite offers a highly effective multi-layered shield against viruses, malware and hacker attacks, an enhanced user interface for simpler navigation and a suite of innovative PC performance enhancement tools. Complete with a three-user license, a single copy of System Suite 7 can protect up to three home or business computers, making its \$49.95 MSRP a superb value.

New to System Suite 7 is an innovative "Quick Status" screen for easy and intuitive navigation of the software's menus and utility sets, and a Start-Up Commander™ that's designed to speed a PC's initialization process by allowing users to modify and remove unessential programs that can cause Windows™ to load slowly. An included program reference database can identify even obscurely named applications to determine if they can be safely removed.

Featuring a state-of-the-art combination of Virus Scanner Pro™ and Spyware Scanner Pro™, System Suite offers the highest level of virus and malware protection available. Powered by Trend Micro™, these award-winning, ultra-powerful malware detectors effectively isolate and remove potential problems before they can do any damage to a system's critical data. With real time monitoring and automatic updates, System Suite ensures a PC is protected from even the latest security threats.

As part of its multi-layered approach to PC security, System Suite 7 also includes a NetDefense™ dual-layer firewall designed to block intrusions from spyware, adware, worm viruses and Trojans often encountered though routine web surfing or network access. For additional protection, NetDefense continually monitors a PC's ports to ensure viruses are not transferred by devices like digital music and video players, jump drives, external hard-drives and networked devices.

"PC users of any skill level now have an affordable, one-stop solution for unparalleled system maintenance and worry-free networked protection," said Scott Feldstein, Vice President, Avanquest Software Utility Products. "System Suite 7 is the culmination of years of experience in helping PC users avoid system problems and maintain optimal performance. As a result, NetDefense firewall, Virus Scanner Pro and the other essential PC monitoring solutions that make up System Suite run inconspicuously and efficiently in Windows without any annoying performance hang-ups often found with comparable software utilities."

In addition to security and routine PC maintenance, System Suite 7 features a complete schedule of preventive measures for diagnosing hardware problems, system clean-up and registry optimization including:

Registry Commander enables PC users to speed up their operating system by safely identifying and removing old and corrupted links from the Windows Registry.

SMARTDiskCheck notifies users of SMART enabled hard-disk performance deterioration which can lead to data loss and complete drive failure.

PCDiagnostics has more than 95 tests that check and report on all installed system hardware including memory, hard drives, USB, network cards, video, sound cards, DVD drives and more for accurate error identification and troubleshooting.

SystemExplorer scans the PC and provides a complete list of system statistics.

SystemMonitor examines the system's available resources and issues warnings if they reach critical levels.

Also bundled with System Suite 7 are: Recovery Commander, an advanced data recovery tool for correcting major file damage that can prevent a system from booting; a trial version of PowerDesk, the award winning file manager program that replaces Windows Explorer; and Rescue Disk, a preconfigured system boot disk for rescuing computers that are unable to properly initialize. System Suite 7 also comes with a 1-year subscription of anti-virus and anti-spyware updates and lets users schedule additional protection scans for times when the PC is not usually being used.

System Suite 7 is available at leading computer and office products retail outlets and directly from Avanquest USA. Existing users will be able to upgrade from prior versions to version 7 directly from Avanquest's website at <http://www.avanquestusa.com/>. For additional information visit: [http://www.v-com.com/product/SystemSuite\\_Home.html](http://www.v-com.com/product/SystemSuite_Home.html).

### About Avanquest Software

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