Re: Adding a VPN gateway to my SBS 2003 network

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Dan Irwin <harryguy082589@xxxxxxxxx> wrote:

> Hi,
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> I have a client who needs to the ability to connect to his laptop to
> his office network from home. Because of the software he uses uses a
> lot of graphics to dumb things down

? Not sure what "dumb thingsdown" means....if you mean he uses AutoCAD, Photoshop, etc., that works just fine using Remote Desktop to a WinXP Pro computer. It's a bit slow, yes − but it works. Terminal Services, on the other hand, won't work for many apps like that.

> RDC is not an option. What kind
> of low cost and simple VPN solutions does everyone recommend? I have
> SBS 2003 (not R2, no ISA) and a Sonicwall TZ150 firewall/router.
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> Thanks for the help,
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> Dan

But VPN is something you've already got − both PPTP in SBS, and likely also in your SonicWALL.

However, I'm not sure what you hope to accomplish with this, as VPN itself is not a very useful solution for "live" remote access. He should not expect to open & work with his files directly over VPN,especially if they're graphics−heavy, or databases, or large, or just plain important. . He could *copy* them or *sync* them to his local worktation using VPN, and then open them locally, but that gets into all other sorts of problems.

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