1.0 Introduction

This document defines the security rules under which this product operates. The rules are enforced by the use of firmware modules. The use of the firmware is mandatory and is called automatically while exercising the module.

1.1 Identification

Hardware BorderGuard 5100, 5200, 5400, 5500 and 5600
Firmware BG5000 Firmware
Version DPF1 V7.1
Vendor: Blue Ridge Networks
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1.2 Description

The BorderGuard 5000 series of devices are standalone Internet security appliances that take the form of an electronic hardware device containing a processor, memory, networking and crypto components, and firmware.

BorderGuard 5000 devices are multi-function appliances that can perform many non-cryptographic network functions such as multi-protocol routing, bridging, and packet filtering. The cryptographic component and Cryptographic Module of the unit is often referred to in this document by its trade name, Data Privacy Facility (DPF.)

BorderGuard 5000 devices are typically installed so that they forward network data packets entering and exiting a site or secure enclave. Using a Forwarding Policy specified by the Crypto-Officer, they selectively transform network packets inbound or outbound to a remote site/enclave or an individual user’s host. These devices thus operates as a Virtual Private Network device capable of:

• Securing traffic between sites within an organization, or between two separate organizations.
• Securing access between a site and an individual remote user (remote access).

Externally, it interconnects two or three Ethernet Local Area Networks, and is able to exercise a Security Policy on Internet data packets (IP datagrams) that would normally flow between the connected networks. In addition to its network interfaces, it provides a control and status interface through a serial console port that is, at the Crypto-officer’s discretion, accessible through Internet services such as Telnet.

There are five different models in the BorderGuard 5000 series. The intent in the model differentiation is to provide gradated capability and performance for potential users of the product. The essential differences between the models are summarized in Table 1.

Model refers to the numeric designation of the BorderGuard device within the BG5000 series. The model number is designated on both the front and back of the chassis.

Nominal Advertised Speed designates the maximum data throughput that is recommended for that model. Actual performance depends on many factors such as packet sizes and the cryptographic algorithms chosen.

Hardware Crypto indicates whether hardware assists are provided for the symmetric
cryptographic algorithms and random number generation. These activities are performed in firmware on those models without the hardware capability.

**Ethernet Ports** refers to the complement of Ethernet connectors on the back of the chassis. Different models support both a different number of ports, and different maximum LAN speeds that the port is capable of negotiating.

**KeyGuard** refers to support for an optional token that must be inserted in the front of the chassis before the unit is activated.

**4K RSA Authentication** refers to the sizes of the keys used for RSA authentication and Diffie-Hellman key exchange. All BorderGuard 5000 models support 512, 1024, and 2048 bit keys for these algorithms; the two high end models also support 4096 bit RSA and Diffie-Hellman keys for session establishment.

**Max Concurrent Crypto Sessions** refers to the maximum number of VPN tunnels the model will establish at any one time.

Despite these differences, the various models have a great deal in common:

- All models of BG5000 run an identical firmware image. The firmware determines the BorderGuard model in which it is running and activates the appropriate internal facilities. Thus all BG5000’s possess a common Cryptographic Module firmware and an identical firmware Cryptographic Module boundary.

- All models have an identical chassis, and identical tamper resistant and tamper evident mechanisms.

- The board design and hardware logic is identical across all BorderGuard models. Depending on manufacturing costs and volumes, lower model BorderGuards may or may not have hardware crypto processors or Gigabit Ethernet PHYs populated on the logic board. Should such devices be present on a lower model BorderGuard, the firmware will ignore their presence and not initialize them for service.

### 2.0 Device Description

The module is a multi-chip standalone embodiment, housed within a 1-unit high sheet metal chassis, protected by tamper evident seals and tamper proof screws. There are no user or administrator serviceable or configurable items inside the chassis. There is

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Model</th>
<th>Nominal Advertised Speed</th>
<th>Hardware Crypto</th>
<th>Ethernet Ports</th>
<th>KeyGuard</th>
<th>4K RSA Authentication and Key Exchange</th>
<th>Max concurrent crypto sessions</th>
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<tr>
<td>5100</td>
<td>20 Mbit/s</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>2 x 100Mbit</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>150</td>
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<td>45 Mbit/s</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>3 x 100Mbit</td>
<td>Optional</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>300</td>
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<td>5400</td>
<td>100 Mbit/s</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>3 x 100Mbit</td>
<td>Optional</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5500</td>
<td>200 Mbit/s</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>2 x 1Gbit 1 x 100Mbit</td>
<td>Optional</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>1000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5600</td>
<td>400 Mbit/s</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>2 x 1Gbit 1 x 100Mbit</td>
<td>Optional</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>1500</td>
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</table>
no reason for the customer to open the chassis, which must be returned to the factory should maintenance be required. The tamper evident seals must be inspected periodically to detect tampering.

The BG5000 device and BG5000 Cryptographic Module conform to FIPS 140-2 Level 2. The module also conforms with the EMI/EMC requirements in FCC Part 15, Subpart J, Class A.

2.1 Interfaces

- **Ethernets.** The BG5000’s three Ethernet ports use an industry standard 100BaseT connector consisting of an RJ45 jack and four grounded signal lines. The BorderGuard 5100 model only activates two of the three Ethernet connectors (the ones designated EN01 and EN02), and the third (EN03) port is plugged with a plastic insert.

- **Serial Interface.** The serial interface may be used for console access by the Crypto-officer, and is a 9 pin RS-232C serial connector.

- **KeyGuard USB Port.** (optional) The USB port is used in applications where the entire unit is keyed to a USB token, and the BorderGuard will refuse to boot if the unique authentication token is not installed in the USB socket at boot time.

- **AC Power.** The unit has an industry standard power connector that can accept 50-60Hz, 110-230 VAC power.

- **LCD Display.** A 2x24 line alphanumeric LCD display gives unit status and statistics. There are no accessible doors or openings. The chassis cover and access to a factory maintenance port are secured with tamper resistant screws and tamper evident tape.
2.2 Firmware

The firmware module common to all BorderGuard 5000 models, and is designed to execute four major firmware components:

- **Boot Code**, which is designed to Self Test the unit, and load Functional Firmware that performs the Operating System, Packet Forwarding, and Cryptographic Module functions.

- **Operating System Functional Firmware**, which provides the core services needed to manage memory, dispatch tasks, service interrupts, and provide file I/O and console access.

- **Packet Forwarding Functional Firmware** (forwarding module), which controls the network media interfaces, performs a variety of Internet and LAN based packet forwarding procedures, and can selectively identify packets for implementation of a Security Policy through filtering and port selection mechanisms. The detailed operation of the packet forwarding firmware is not discussed in this document.

- **Cryptographic Functional Firmware**, which is the BG5000 Cryptographic Module to which this Security Policy applies. This component executes the cryptographic functions.

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**FIGURE 2.** BG5000 Series Firmware Components
2.3 Cryptographic Boundary
The physical cryptographic boundary for the module consists of the entire BorderGuard chassis, including all circuit boards and components thereon, power supplies, interfaces, indicator lamps and chassis sheet metal. The unit is designed for rack mounting and is 18” x 12” x 1.75”.

2.4 States
The BG5000 Cryptographic Module is designed as a finite state machine. The basic states are Power off, Boot, Initialization, Operating, and Error.

2.5 Processors
The code is executed on an IBM (soon to be AMCC) 440GX processor. When available on the proper models, hardware traffic encryption functions are performed with a HiFn 7855 encryption chip.

2.6 Firmware Security
The module is written in ANSI C. Some core cryptographic transforms are written in assembly code for better performance. The RSA Crypto-C static library is used for public key operations; it is proprietary and not available for inspection. None of the algorithms used in the Crypto-C library are FIPS Approved.

Integrity of the firmware is ensured through three independent mechanisms.

• A CRC32 checksum of both the firmware load and the independently loaded boot code check against hardware or operational errors in the handling of the firmware.
• A FIPS 113 compliant Data Authentication Code (DES MAC) is associated with every load of FIPS compliant boot code and operating firmware. Firmware with an incorrect DAC cannot be loaded into the device.
• All released firmware versions have the SHA-1 residue of the firmware image published by Blue Ridge Networks. This residue can be calculated and checked both before the code is loaded on the device, and after it is loaded but before it is permitted to execute.

2.7 Embedded Control Program
The “operating system” for the BorderGuard is a proprietary embedded system control program written specifically for the BorderGuard product line. Blue Ridge does not consider this function to be an “operating system” as it provides no capability to execute code that is not integrated into the single firmware image. The control program is not accessible to the user nor is it shared with other applications. The control program does not permit the dynamic addition and execution of code from any source.

3.0 Identification and Authentication Policy
The module supports only two roles, that of crypto-officer and user. The crypto-officer has access to the console RS232 port and optionally via Telnet. The user has no access to the control inputs or status of the module.

The Cryptographic Module does not support a maintenance mode or a bypass mode.
3.1 Crypto-officer

The Crypto-officer is an individual charged with installation and maintenance of the BG5000, and the formulation and maintenance of a site Security Policy. The Crypto-officer role is the only one that can modify or inspect the state of the BG5000.

Access to the device is restricted by an access password; it is typically further restricted by locating the device in a secured area.

Crypto-officer functions with the BG5000 include:

• Installation of the unit, and monitoring of the unit’s Self Test capabilities.
• Monitoring of the unit’s operation.
• Definition of a Forwarding Policy and Security Policy, and maintaining those Policies in the face of ever-changing network requirements.

3.2 User

The Users of a BG5000 are those host computers, their associated individuals, and other authenticated modules who generate network traffic to be processed by the BG5000. Since these user data sources and destinations are networked devices, Users and their hosts do not have to be co-located with the BG5000.

Operation of the BG5000, and any decision as to whether the BG5000’s services will be performed for a User, are completely under the control of the Crypto-officer. Users may be completely unaware of the fact that the BG5000 exists, or that it is securing data they are sending to remote locations.

User authentication consists of authenticating cryptographic sessions that will contain packets arriving from a remote site with other Users. This is performed with RSA public/private key pairs. A second, far weaker form of authentication consists of policies identifying Users in the interior site, and determining policy for one internal, local User versus another, based on originating IP address or other message contents.

RSA Public Key authentication takes place in both directions. The BG5000 that initiates a session prepares a field consisting of a 32 bit nonce, a 128 bit MD5 message residue, and about 48 bytes of other session information. Before transmission, this field is encrypted with both its own private key and the public key of the remote BG5000. The remote unit returns the nonce and session information RSA encrypted with the public key of the originating BG5000.

RSA keys of 512, 1024, 2048 or 4096 bits in length may be selected by the Crypto-officer.
Table 2: Roles and Required Identification and Authentication

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Role</th>
<th>Type of Authentication</th>
<th>Authentication Data</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>User</td>
<td>RSA 512 bit Public Keys</td>
<td>32 bit nonce + 48 bytes variable session data + MD5 hash.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User</td>
<td>RSA 1024 bit Public Keys</td>
<td>32 bit nonce + 48 bytes variable session data + MD5 hash.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User</td>
<td>RSA 2048 bit Public Keys</td>
<td>32 bit nonce + 48 bytes variable session data + MD5 hash.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User (5500 and 5600 models only)</td>
<td>RSA 4096 bit Public Keys</td>
<td>32 bit nonce + 48 bytes variable session data + MD5 hash.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Crypto-Officer</td>
<td>Logon Password</td>
<td>Fixed password</td>
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</table>

3.3 Policy Definition

The function of defining a site security policy for the module is described in Blue Ridge customer documentation such as the BorderGuard 5000 Getting Started Guide, and the DPF Administrator’s Guide.

The construction of an access policy by the Crypto-officer/system administrator consists of two major steps: defining a Forwarding Policy that identifies sets of remote User site traffic and non-User traffic, then defining a cryptographic Security Policy to secure User traffic moving between sites.

Forwarding Policy consists of identifying traffic as intended for delivery to a specific remote site based on its source and destination IP address, and other internal packet characteristics. Forwarding Policy also controls the disposition of traffic coming to or from locations that are not identifiably a remote site, such as general Internet traffic. To implement a Forwarding Policy, the Crypto-officer will need to identify:

- the connection points at which a BorderGuard 5000 should be placed
- the complement of trusted sites, and the method to identify traffic intended for each of them.
- the type(s) of traffic to allow in from untrusted sites
- the type(s) of traffic to block from untrusted sites
- the type(s) of traffic to allow out to trusted sites
- the type(s) of traffic to block to trusted sites

Cryptographic Policy. For traffic to each trusted remote site, the local and remote Crypto-officers must agree on a Security Policy that meets both their needs. Security services offered by the BG5000 include:

- Encryption — prevents untrusted parties from examining the contents of traffic moving between sites. Five Approved encryption algorithms (DES, TDES, AES128,
AES192, AES256) are available. The DES algorithms are included for compatibility purposes only.

- Integrity Checking — performs a keyed hash of each data packet, so that an enroute packet may not be altered by third parties, nor may they successfully introduce a new packet into the secured data stream. The Approved HMAC-SHA-1 is available.
- Replay Prevention — prevents attacks caused by re-introducing a previously sent legitimate data packet into a secured data stream.

The BG5000 also offers data compression services for traffic moving between secured sites.

**FIPS Mode.** The BG5000 Cryptographic Module offers both Approved and non-Approved cryptographic transforms. The Crypto-officer must ensure that only Approved transforms are in use by:

- Selecting one of the AES128, AES192, AES256, DES, or Triple-DES cryptographic transforms.
- If packet integrity checking is desired, selecting the HMAC-SHA1 algorithm.

Proper selection of Approved algorithms can be confirmed through a console command (“dpf show status”) which will report the number of active sessions that are using fully Approved transforms and those which are not.

### 4.0 Access Control Policy

Access to the internals of the module is restricted to the Crypto-officer. The User may only perform encryption or decryption services and has no access to the internals of the module. Crypto-officer access control is by a password.

The nature of the unit as a network appliance usually means that the device is not in a User accessible location. Under most circumstances, it can be locked in a communications area only accessible to the Crypto-officer.

### 4.1 Access to Critical Security parameters

Items the crypto-officer can control:

- Generation of an RSA public/private key pair for the BG5000 device. A separate key pair may exist for each of the 512, 1024, 2048, or 4096 bit keys. Once the key pair is generated, the public key is available for export to other devices. The private keys cannot be inspected or exported in any form.
- Definition of cryptographic network tunnels (sleeves), and the cryptographic quality of service used within the tunnel. Note however that the Crypto-officer does not have unilateral control over these definitions unless they are also the Crypto-officer for the remote unit they wish to have share in the activity. A remote unit will fail to connect and pass traffic to the local unit if the local Crypto-officer proposes a cryptographic policy the remote Crypto-officer does not agree with. Both need to define complementary service definitions.
- Installation and exchange of RSA Public Keys for remote units. These public keys are used to authenticate the sleeve before any traffic will be sent over it. Again,
installation of public keys in remote BG5000’s requires the explicit cooperation of the remote unit’s Crypto-officers.

- Control of the Forwarding Policy within the BorderGuard, which decides what traffic is to be presented to the Cryptographic Module, and which virtual cryptographic connection will be used to transport a specific data item.

The Crypto-officer does not have any access to:

- Cryptographic traffic keys. They are automatically generated for each cryptographic session, and zeroized when the session is complete. They cannot be inspected while in use, nor are there any facilities to manually introduce such keys into the unit.
- RSA private keys. RSA private keys for the unit may be generated by the Crypto-officer, but they cannot be inspected during or after generation. Only the public key associated with the private key is available for export.

4.2 Key Management

Keys used by the BG5000 Cryptographic Module include the following:

- An RSA public/private key pair associated with the individual unit. The private key is not available to the operator, the public key is available to the crypto-officer. Only public keys can be entered or output from the module. The public/private key pair can be zeroized in both volatile and nonvolatile storage when a new key pair is generated, or when the keys are cleared by a specific operator command.
- Encryption traffic keys which include DES, TDES, IDEA and AES. These keys are generated through the Diffie-Hellman key agreement algorithm during session establishment and are associated with the session. The keys are zeroized immediately upon session termination. These keys cannot be set manually, nor may they be inspected.
- Keyed data strings used for MD5 and SHA-1 keyed hashes. These are used where a shared secret key is exchanged between sender and receiver and guards against a man-in-the-middle attack. These keys are generated through the Diffie-Hellman key agreement algorithm during session establishment and are associated with the session. These keys are zeroized upon termination of the session.
- Diffie-Hellman (Key Agreement; key establishment methodology provides between 56-bits and 112-bits of encryption strength for Models 5100, 5200 and 5400 and between 56-bits and 150-bits of encryption strength for Models 5500 and 5600)

Other authentication data used by the unit consists of:

- a logon password for the Crypto-officer, which may be entered when connectivity has been achieved through access to the serial port, or through a Telnet connection. The password is stored in hashed form in a data file (profile) on the BG5000’s filesystem. The hashing algorithm is not of cryptographic quality; however the entire filesystem is not accessible to anyone save authenticated Crypto-officers.
- an optional USB “smart card” token which must be inserted into a receptacle on the front of the BorderGuard 5000 in order for the unit to successfully boot. Authentication takes place in boot code, and normal smart card techniques of having the token do an MD5 hash of a specified 64 byte random string catenated with a 20 byte shared secret stored both on the token and in nonvolatile memory. If the hash and
comparison fails, the unit will not boot, and the cryptographic firmware will not even be loaded into the unit.

### Table 3: Strengths of Authentication Mechanisms

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<th>Authentication Mechanism</th>
<th>Strength of Mechanism</th>
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<tr>
<td>User Session Authentication; establishment of a cryptographic association between two BG5000’s</td>
<td>512, 1024, and 2048 bit RSA public/private key pairs; both BG5000’s authenticate themselves to the other. 4096 bit RSA key pairs are available on the 5500 and 5600 models.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Packet Integrity Checking</td>
<td>FIPS 198 keyed hash is appended to each data packet; secret key material is generated via Diffie-Hellmann mechanisms during session authentication. Key material is obtained through Diffie-Hellman key exchange.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Console logon by Crypto-Officer</td>
<td>Physical access to the device, or Telnet, followed by a fixed password of at least 4 and less than 32 alphanumeric characters. The password is reduced to a 32 bit value using the CRC32 algorithm, giving a maximum probability of a successful random guess of $62^{-4}$ or $6.77\times10^{-8}$.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BG5000 Token (optional)</td>
<td>This optional feature consists of a USB “smart card” chassis activation key external to the Cryptographic Module. It uses an MD5 hash of a 64 byte challenge string concatenated with a 20 byte shared secret.</td>
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### Table 4: Services Authorized for Roles

<table>
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<th>Role</th>
<th>Authorized Services</th>
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</table>
| User               | Symmetric Encryption/Decryption  
|                    | Asymmetric Encryption/Decryption (session authentication)  
|                    | MACing  
|                    | Keyed Hashing (packet authentication)                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Crypto-officer     | Public/private key generation.  
|                    | Export and import of public keys  
|                    | Cryptographic TOS for tunnels  
|                    | Forwarding policy — Direction of IP packets through designated tunnels.  
|                    | Module Configuration.  
|                    | Key Management.  
|                    | Module Initialization.  
|                    | Discretionary Self Test.  
|                    | Set/Change Crypto-Officer password.  
|                    | Zeroize keys.  
|                    | Show Status.  |
Table 5: Access to Critical Security Parameters

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<th>CSP Type</th>
<th>User Access</th>
<th>Crypto-officer Access</th>
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<tr>
<td>RSA private key</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>replacement or zeroization</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RSA public key</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>inspection, export, replacement, zeroization of internal public key; import, inspection, and modification of external public keys</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Traffic Encryption Keys</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>none</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Keyed Hash (SHA-1) Keys</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>none</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Console password</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>modification</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>USB token</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>Usage through key insertion; Contents could be destroyed with third party tools, but not inspected</td>
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</table>

4.3 Key Protection

Private and secret keys are protected inside the module. No command, public or hidden, permits the display or export of these keys. In addition, the private keys are stored in Triple-DES encrypted form, using a fixed Triple-DES 192 bit key generated by hashing the chassis serial number and various constants located throughout the firmware. Since this Triple-DES key is fixed for any given chassis, from the vantage of FIPS 140-2 it is logically equivalent to plaintext key storage.

Secret keys are never stored or archived. During the session, the secret key is located in SDRAM data structures that are not accessible to any user or crypto-officer. All secret keys and key schedules are zeroized as soon as their session is terminated. Only the RSA public key is distributed. Public keys are stored in plaintext form.

4.4 Key Destruction

The RSA public/private key pairs in the BG5000 Cryptographic Module are stored in non-volatile memory. They are zeroized either through an explicit console command, or when the Crypto-officer directs that a new key pair be generated to supplant the old one.

Session keys and key schedules are destroyed (zeroized) when the cryptographic session is terminated, or when the unit is powered off.

The console password may be modified, but it cannot be removed.

Powering off the unit will destroy all session keys.

The USB token contents are generated at the factory and are never modified. There is no mechanism in the BG5000 to destroy the token contents.
4.5 Random Number Generation

Random number generation takes a different form depending on the support or presence of the HiFn 7855 cryptographic hardware processor.

4.5.1 Random Number Generation with Hardware Support (Models 5400, 5500, and 5600)

The BG5000 Cryptographic Module uses both a non-deterministic and deterministic random bit generation scheme. The HiFn 7855 crypto processor is used to generate a hardware-based, nondeterministic random bit sequence.

The hardware nondeterministic random number generator is not an Approved RNG.

The hardware RNG and its supplied firmware driver is constantly conditionally tested for failure to a constant value.

If any failure is detected in the HiFn 7855 processor, during initialization, Self Test, or normal cryptographic operations, the crypto processor is disabled and random number generation reverts to the firmware version discussed in Section 4.5.2.

4.5.2 Firmware Random Number Generation (Models 5100 and 5200)

The BG5000 Cryptographic Module uses a deterministic random bit generation scheme, with constant nondeterministic reseeding. An initial seed is generated from a 256 byte random bit string, unique to that unit’s serial number, that is installed at time of manufacture. This random seed is continuously XOR-ed with random 1 microsecond resolution packet arrival times to produce a changing 20 byte seed value. This seed is then the basis of the deterministic RNG, an implementation of the RSA Crypto-C 6.1.1 library. The deterministic RNG uses a SHA-1 hash of the seed for input.

The Crypto-C deterministic random number generator is not an Approved RNG.

The RNG is seeded as follows:

- At each device initialization, the random number seed is primed with a 256 byte random string generated as part of that serial number’s personality information. This random quantity is treated like a Critical Security Parameter and is never available for inspection.
- Every time a cryptographic tunnel management packet arrives, either for tunnel establishment or periodic keepalive messages, the low order 32 bits of the packet arrival time since device initialization, measured to a resolution of 1 microsecond, is added to the random number seed.
- Every 5 minutes, the random number seed is merged with 16 bytes of random information stored in the Nonvolatile RAM, then the next 16 bytes of generated pseudorandom data from the RNG is written back into the same 16 bites of NVRAM. This ensures that the unpredictability of the RNG seed increases with time, even across resets and power cycles of the BorderGuard.

This reseeding algorithm takes place even if the cryptographic hardware is present and functioning in the 5400, 5500, and 5600 models. Thus if the crypto processor were to fail, the firmware RNG can immediately take over with the minimally predictable seeding discussed above.

The firmware RNG is constantly conditionally tested for failure to a constant value.
### 4.6 Cryptographic Algorithms

#### Table 6: BG5000 Cryptographic Module — Algorithms

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<tr>
<th>Algorithm</th>
<th>Mode</th>
<th>FIPS 140-2 Approved Algorithm</th>
<th>NIST Certificate Number</th>
<th>Usage</th>
<th>Test</th>
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<td>AES128</td>
<td>Firmware</td>
<td>Yes FIPS 197</td>
<td>116</td>
<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic</td>
<td>KAT</td>
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<td>Firmware</td>
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<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic</td>
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<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic</td>
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<td>AES128</td>
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<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>DES</td>
<td>Hardware (HiFn 7855)</td>
<td>Yes FIPS 46-3</td>
<td>271</td>
<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic, (Transitional phase only — valid until May 19, 2007)</td>
<td>KAT</td>
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<tr>
<td>DES</td>
<td>Firmware</td>
<td>Yes FIPS 46-3</td>
<td>119</td>
<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic; backup for DES hardware encryption. (Transitional phase only — valid until May 19, 2007)</td>
<td>KAT</td>
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<td>TDES</td>
<td>Hardware (HiFn 7855)</td>
<td>Yes FIPS 46-3</td>
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<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic</td>
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<td>Firmware</td>
<td>Yes FIPS 46-3</td>
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<td>Encrypt/decrypt traffic; backup for TDES hardware encryption</td>
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<td>IDEA</td>
<td>Firmware</td>
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<td>KAT</td>
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The BorderGuard contains both Approved and non-Approved cryptographic algorithms. Crypto-Officers have two mechanisms to ensure whether Approved algorithms are being used:

- By examining the definitions of cryptographic tunnels, and ensuring that only Approved algorithms as specified in Table 6 are specified.
- By entering the `dpf show status` console command, which will print a summary of the number of cryptographic sessions operating in Approved mode, and the number which are in non-Approved mode.

### 5.0 Physical Security Policy

The module is a multi-chip standalone embodiment, housed within a 1-unit high sheet metal chassis, protected by tamper evident seals and four tamper proof screws. The placement of the screws and tape on the chassis is shown in Figure 3 on page 17. The
tamper resistant screws consist of a five pointed star receptacle with a center pin, and require a special tool licensed by the manufacturer to remove. The tamper evident tape shatters as it is removed.

There are no user or administrator serviceable or configurable items inside the chassis. There is no reason for the customer to open the chassis, which must be returned to the factory should maintenance be required.

The tamper evident seal must be inspected periodically to detect tampering.

The module conforms with the EMI/EMC requirements in FCC Part 15, Subpart J, Class A.

Physical security may also be enhanced with the optional USB token that is keyed to a particular BG5000. Whenever the unit is powered on, boot code will not proceed to initialize the unit unless a cryptographic challenge between the BG5000 and USB token succeeds. Thus if the USB token key is removed and kept in a safe location, the BG5000 may not be placed into any type of service.

Table 7: Inspection/Testing of Physical Security Mechanisms

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<th>Physical Security Mechanism</th>
<th>Recommended Frequency of Inspection/Test</th>
<th>Inspection/Test Guidance Detail</th>
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<td>Tamper evident tape</td>
<td>Variable; dependent of security of area in which the BG5000 is located</td>
<td>Inspect tape for breaks; the tape cannot be removed without fragmenting into pieces</td>
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Figure 3. Placement of Physical Security Safeguards
6.0 Mitigation of Other Attacks

6.1 Replay Prevention
The BG5000 Cryptographic Module can also optionally institute replay protection by insuring that any packet is received only once. The module maintains a record of recently received sequence numbers. If the incoming packet has a sequence number that has already been recorded, the module will drop the packet and raise an alarm.

6.2 Denial of Service Attacks
The BG5000 Cryptographic Module recognizes that service to legitimate users may be denied through illicit session establishment attempts that are recognized by the attacker to fail.

Should a session connect request be received that does not result in a successful connection, the IP address from which the request originated will be placed on an “unreachable” list for an exponentially increasing period of time, and further requests from that source will be ignored.

Similarly, if the BG5000 originates a connection that fails for some reason (most likely because the partner BG5000 is unreachable), it will defer connects to that device for an exponentially increasing period of time to avoid “thrashing” the authentication mechanism.

7.0 Self-Tests

7.1 Mandatory tests
Mandatory tests are performed at boot time, when the BG5000 Cryptographic Module is in the initialization state. These include:

• On the BorderGuard 5400, 5500, and 5600 modules with hardware crypto support:
  • Testing the hardware cryptographic processor to check its register and data transfer operation.
  • Testing the Approved DES and TDES hardware based encryption and decryption algorithms with a known answer test.
  • Testing the Approved AES-128, AES-192, and AES-256 hardware based encryption and decryption algorithms with a known answer test.
  • Testing the Approved HMAC-SHA1 and un-approved HMAC-MD5 hardware based hashes with a known answer test.
  • Testing the firmware implemented AES-128, AES-192, AES-256, DES, and Triple-DES encryption algorithms with a Known Answer Test.
  • Testing the Approved HMAC-SHA-1 and non-Approved SHA-1 firmware based hashing algorithm with Known Answer Tests.
  • Testing the random number generator using the Ones, Poker, Runs and Long Runs tests as previously specified in FIPS 140-2 section 4.9.1.
  • Testing the non-Approved HMAC-MD5 and MD5 firmware based hashes with a known answer test.
7.2 Conditional Tests

The BG5000 Cryptographic Module performs several Conditional tests during operation:

- The output of the Random Number Generator is continuously checked to ensure that it is not returning a constant value.
- The RSA public/private key pairs are used for all four combinations of public and private key encryption and decryption (public key encrypt and decrypt, private key encrypt and decrypt) during the normal authentication procedure with other BG5000’s, which will fail if the key pair is not pairwise consistent.

7.3 Optional self-tests

Optional self tests are available to the crypto-officer for discretionary module testing and include all of the KAT’s above. All Mandatory tests detailed above may be run at any time though console commands entered by the Crypto-officer.

Additional optional tests exist for:

- Pairwise consistency of Diffie-Hellman operation at all supported key lengths.
- KAT’s for the non-Approved IDEA encryption algorithm.

7.4 Failure of self-test

In the event of a self test failure of the cryptographic hardware, or if an error is detected during continuing operation of the cryptographic hardware, the BG5000 Cryptographic Module will disable the hardware processor and proceed to perform all cryptographic transforms using firmware. Errors encountered are shown on both the front panel LCD display and any attached serial console.

The BG5000 has no specific provisions for failure of the firmware algorithms, as this indicates either an internal failure of the controlling 440GX processor, or run-time corruption of the code or SDRAM memory access. In these circumstances, the BG5000 will cease useful program execution and pass no further data of any type.
## Appendix A Glossary of Acronyms

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<th>Acronym</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>AES</td>
<td>Advanced Encryption Standard. An Approved algorithm defined in FIPS 198, supporting 128, 192 and 256 bit keys.</td>
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<td>ANSI</td>
<td>American National Standards Institute. In the context of this document, ANSI is responsible for the definition of the C programming language used for most of the BG5000 firmware.</td>
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<td>CRC32</td>
<td>32 bit Cyclic Redundancy Check. A common mechanism to detect data corruption (but not cryptographic attack) in a stream of data.</td>
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<td>CSP</td>
<td>Critical Security Parameter. A value such as a cryptographic key, whose disclosure or modification might compromise the security of the system.</td>
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<td>DES</td>
<td>Data Encryption Standard. A once widely used encryption algorithm defined in FIPS 46-3.</td>
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<td>DPF</td>
<td>Data Privacy Facility. The Blue Ridge Networks trade name for its cryptographic function, and the designation for the Cryptographic Module.</td>
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<td>EMC</td>
<td>Electromagnetic Compatibility. The degree with which a device will tolerate EMI from nearby devices.</td>
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<td>EMI</td>
<td>Electromagnetic Interference. A measure of the degree to which radio frequencies emitted by a device might interfere with the operation of other nearby appliances.</td>
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<td>HMAC</td>
<td>A keyed message authentication algorithm, where the message contents and a secret key are cryptographically hashed so that an attacker cannot produce a message deemed genuine to the receiver without knowledge of the key.</td>
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<td>IDEA</td>
<td>International Data Encryption Algorithm. A non-Approved cryptographic algorithm in moderately wide use.</td>
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<td>IP</td>
<td>Internet Protocol, as defined in RFC 791.</td>
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<td>KAT</td>
<td>Known Answer Test. The process of presenting fixed inputs to a cryptographic algorithm, and comparing the compute result with a published, expected result.</td>
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<td>MD5</td>
<td>Message Digest (version 5). A non-Approved cryptographic hashing algorithm.</td>
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<td>PHY</td>
<td>In the context of an Ethernet interface, the electronics that convert the transmit/receive bit stream to analog signals on the Ethernet medium and vice versa. Thus optical...</td>
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and twisted pair Ethernet interfaces would have different PHY’s.

RNG  Random Number Generator.

RSA  1. RSA Data Security Inc., the supplier of the cryptographic library used for authentication, key exchange, and random number generation in the BG5000.

2. Rivest-Shamir-Adleman public/private key encryption algorithms. The basis of User authentication on the BG5000.

SDRAM  Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory. A common electronic technology for high capacity, moderate speed random access memory.

SHA-1  Secure Hash Algorithm (version 1). An Approved cryptographic hashing algorithm.

Triple-DES  A cryptographic block cipher using 112 or 168 bit keys. An Approved algorithm defined in FIPS 46-3.

TOS  Type of Service. In the context of this document it specifically refers to the 4 bit Type of Service field in an Internet Protocol packet header that directs network equipment to optimize transmission for throughput, performance, etc.

USB  Universal Serial Bus. A common standard for the connection of low and medium speed devices to personal computers. The BG5000 optionally takes advantage of USB based “smart card” tokens to unlock suitably configured BG5000 devices.