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Fake Defragmenter Holds PCs for Ransom

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[Rogue antivirus](#) products have been afflicting unsuspecting users for years now. Some actively plant malware while pretending to remove it. Others run a quick fake scan on the system and report dozens of spurious threats, threats that can only be removed if you pay the product's significant registration fee. But the latest, a nasty [fake defragmenter](#) discovered by researchers at CyberDefender Research Labs, is even worse.

The rogue software gets onto your system through a malicious web site introduced into search results using a technique called SEO (Search Engine Optimization) poisoning. If your system isn't protected, just clicking the poisoned link is enough to get the malicious software installed.

According to CyberDefender's research team, "System Defragmenter pretends to be an optimization program that will scan the hard drive to fix any memory problems and hard disk errors the machine may have." After it runs, trying to launch any program or shortcut on the desktop will just trigger the error message "Scan Hard Drive". The hard drive scan finishes with a warning that the drive has errors that can only be fixed if the user purchases the full program. The payment page isn't actually secure but includes a fake "verified" green address bar.

Once you pay off this protection racket the fake software fixes the fake problems it created. **Even then all is not well, the bad guys now have your credit card details.**

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Once the [ransomware](#) gets on your system you probably can't run an antivirus scan, though a Rescue CD might save the day. From our experience fixing this problem, you really don't want to encounter this pernicious ransom-ware. Truly, your best protection is to install a high-quality antivirus or security suite and keep it up to date.

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Business Continuity

Business continuity, disaster recovery, readiness, and other phrases all revolve around the same question and the same partial answer: What will we do if something happens? If we plan for it, the damage won't be as bad.

What happens if a key employee suddenly leaves your company? Ask yourself these quick questions:

- What had they been working on?
- Who needs to be contacted?
- Where were all the critical files stored?
- Did someone have their passwords?
- What changes had been made to this system?
- Was there documentation?

We realize that sometimes these things happen and they happen unpredictably. The duration can be long or short. Your ability to work may be severely compromised. You may lose money, contracts, credibility, and miss important goals. You need to have the contacts, contracts, resources, and plans together to help you recover.

Do you have plans in place so you can recover from the inevitable bumps in the road? Do you have someone like Software To Go who can help you

develop plans and help you build redundant, scalable solutions which will keep downtime to a minimum or help you avoid it altogether?



Hewlett Packard Business Desktop Pro

Processor Type: Pentium Dual-core
Processor Speed: 3.06 GHz
Standard Memory: 2 GB
Total Hard Drive Capacity: 160 GB
Hard Drive Interface: Serial ATA/300
Hard Drive RPM: 7200
Optical Drive Type: DVD-Writer
Optical Media Support: DVD-RAM/±R/±RW
Number of USB Ports: 8
Optical Mouse
Keyboard
Operating System: XP Pro, able upgrade to Windows 7

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Processor Type: 2GHz Intel Core 2 Duo
Standard Memory: 3 GB
Optical Drive Type: DVD-RAM/±R/±RW Writer
Hard Drive Capacity: 250 GB

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Under the tax code Section 179 Election, the Federal Government has allowed businesses to buy up to \$250,000 in new office and computer equipment and expense-or write off-that entire amount on their current year's tax return.

Unfortunately, this special deduction is being reduced down to only \$25,000 in 2011 which means this is the LAST YEAR for you to take advantage of this generous tax break.

If you need to upgrade, expand, or replace your network, computers, or both, you have to make that purchase on or before December 31st of this year.

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Seeking Nominations

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Best in Business 2011 is about to launch. Each month in 2011 SBM is asking area businesses for the Best Service providers in St. Louis.

Our first list for 2011 is Best in Quality. We are searching for the companies in St. Louis that provide the best quality (products or services) for their clients' dollars. **When you put your money down for a product or service, let us know who you can always count on to provide the best quality for the dollar.** Winners will appear in our January 2011 issue.

[Simply click here and let us know who provides the best in quality. Nomination deadline is Dec. 1.](#)



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