



'SPY' COMES IN FROM THE COLD

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We read with interest the cover letter in *The Australian IT* last week, on Workplace Web Watchers by Edittech's Barbara Gengler.

We support the letter's author, Glenn Miller, the distributor of WebSpy, in his comments requesting that Australian products be given a fair go.

We are another Australian company that has developed innovative management software for the internet: Internet Sheriff and E-mail Sheriff.

It is unfortunate that the primary focus of recent articles about filtering of the internet has been on dramatic terms such as spying, policing and censorship. A majority of employees and management agree that inappropriate use of the internet should not be condoned in the workplace and that this inappropriate use can have greater impacts on the work environment than those measured in financial terms.

I would suggest that terms such as managing, monitoring and reporting would be more applicable to the applications in a proactive organization.

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