Windows Enterprise Announcement

Sep 30, 2011 – Microsoft FEP AV Mistake Uninstalls Google Chrome

On September 30th, 2011, Microsoft released a Forefront Endpoint Protection update which incorrectly detected Google Chrome as PWS:Win32/Zbot. As a result Microsoft FEP considered Google Chrome malware. The default action is to uninstall it.

Microsoft has released an update that addresses the issue. FEP signature versions 1.113.672.0 and higher include this update.

ITS WSUS administrators performed an emergency manual WSUS server synchronization to get the needed update as soon as possible. It is available NOW. In order to force your system to get this update out of the typical cycle, run (as administrator on each system) the command:

wuaclt.exe /detectnow

Unfortunately Google Chrome will have to be reinstalled.