Subject: Re: Renguard/Norton Problems

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Nobody is getting "infected". Norton has simply added SVKP to their list of antivirus definitions, most probably because some real virus or worm they found was packed with SVKP. So everyone using NAV who updates their definitions seems to be "suddenly infected". SVKP has been part of RenGuard all along, and is nothing bad.

SVKP is a protection that RenGuard uses, it basically encrypts renguard so that people cannot easily hex edit it or use debuggers on it and otherwise reverse engineer it so they can bypass it.

Sadly apparently someone used SVKP to protect some malicious program that Norton analyzed, so instead of fingerprinting that specific worm, they added svkp.sys to their blacklist...pretty silly but ah well what can we do.

Again, I say, SVKP is NOT a worm, virus, trojan, or anything bad. It is part of RenGuards protection. BHS paid money for SVKP. It is protection software, not a "hacker tool" or backdoor program.

If you remove svkp.sys, RenGuard will cease to function. The recommended way to get around this "problem" is to, as posted, remove svkp.sys from the norton quarantine list. Another option is to not use Norton, but for all we know Norton shares their virus definitions with others and svkp will show up soon for other antivirus programs.

This isn't really a big deal, the important things are that svkp.sys is not anything malicious, and all antivirus programs have a way to add programs to a "whitelist", so you don't get constant warnings.