



News Release

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Biometric Services International LLC (BSI) Receives ISO/IEC 17025 Re-Accreditation for Biometric Scenario, Technology and Operational Testing

Morgantown, WV (15 December, 2008) – BSI today announced that it has been approved for continued ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation [General Requirements for Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories] by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) in the Information Technology field of testing. According to Valerie Evanoff, BSI CEO, the re-accreditation was preceded by an extensive assessment of BSI's testing laboratory and a review of all quality management activities.

"BSI initially earned accreditation to ISO/IEC 17025:2005 in November 2006, followed by procedural surveillance audits in 2007 and 2008 to confirm our continued competency in our scope of accreditation," explained Evanoff.

The ISO/IEC 17025 re-accreditation covers performance testing (scenario, technology and operational testing programs.) Client site testing is available for scenario and operational test methods. "This reaccreditation affirms BSI's unique position as the world's only ISO-accredited laboratory that is exclusively dedicated to biometrics and enhances our mission of supporting both infrastructure and identity protection objectives through evaluation and qualification of biometric products," said Evanoff.

ISO/IEC 17025:2005 specifies the general requirements for the competency to carry out tests. It covers testing performed using standard methods, non-standard methods and laboratory-developed methods. Laboratory customers, regulatory authorities and accreditation bodies use it in confirming or recognizing the competency of laboratories.

About Biometric Services International

Biometric Services International, LLC (BSI) is a wholly owned, non-profit subsidiary of the National Biometric Security Project (NBSP). BSI's application and acquisition services address critical biometric deployment considerations. These services include requirements definition, articulation of program goals and objectives, vulnerability assessments, application impact studies, life-cycle cost analyses and privacy impact assessments. A robust range of testing, training and research capabilities supports these services.

About NBSP

The original National Biometric Security Project has evolved into the NBSP Enterprise, an organization comprised of three operating components and one Headquarters and

executive oversight component. The operating components include Biometric Services International, LLC; AR Services LLC and AR Technologies, Inc. All three are focused on the overall NBSP mission of accelerating the deployment of biometric technologies to enhance national defense and security, as well as to meet the need for increased protection against identity theft and fraud. NBSP is ISO 9001 Certified [Quality Management Systems Requirements] and as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation, it is able to assure a technology-neutral, vendor-independent posture and focus on user requirements.

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