



***News Release***

**For Immediate Release  
Tuesday, 8 May 2007**

## **National Biometric Security Project (NBSP) Publishes First Qualified Product List (QPL) of Biometric Products for Security Applications**

### **Bioscrypt and Integrated Biometrics Are First to Appear on NBSP Qualified Product List (QPL)**

Washington DC (8 May 2007) – The National Biometric Security Project today announced that two biometric devices had passed the premier round of the non-profit organization's biometric performance testing and are featured on the first Qualified Product List of biometric products.

The new QPL products include Bioscrypt's Vision Access 3D Face Biometric Device (<http://www.bioscrypt.com/>) and Integrated Biometrics (<http://www.integratedbiometrics.com/web/index.asp>) Terminal Reader Unit 650, a physical access fingerprint reader.

The Qualified Products List (QPL) identifies those biometric products that have been subjected to an independent and objective test and evaluation of performance against a series of published Common Performance Standards (CPS). The QPL test program consists of performance testing and, if applicable, standards conformance testing. The four main CPS against which all products are tested are:

- ▶ False Accept Rate
- ▶ False Reject Rate + Failure to Acquire Rate
- ▶ Failure to Enroll Rate
- ▶ Throughput Rate

Colin Soutar, CTO of Bioscrypt, stated that "We are pleased to be listed as a Qualified Product as a result of NBSP's tests. Bioscrypt has long maintained a tradition of providing industry-leading technologies for Enterprise Access Control and this is evidence that the latest addition to that product suite, our Vision Access 3-D Face Reader, performs in accordance with the expectations of NBSP's internationally-recognized tests. Of note is that the NBSP Qualified Products are tested under "real-world" scenario tests, not off-line tests, and this demonstrates the robustness and maturity of Bioscrypt's 3-D face technology for practical deployments."

According to Dan Page, President of Integrated Biometrics "...the QPL is the right test at the right time for the biometrics industry. For too long buyers have had to wade through a plethora of manufacturer performance claims....many of which were not

realized in operation. NBSP's efforts in this regard are very worthwhile and serve a valuable purpose in the biometric community."

In the QPL testing process, per Valerie Graves, Managing Director of NBSP's Test, Research & Data Center (TRDC Services, LLC), a wholly-owned non-profit subsidiary of NBSP in Morgantown, WV "...each biometric device is tested over a six to eight week period by at least 200 NBSP trained operators. During this period, each device is activated a minimum of 10,000 times. The performance measures are determined by actual activations as opposed to theoretical computer analyses."

"Properly used, the QPL serves the buyer/user community as a useful tool ensuring specific products meet basic qualifications," said John E. Siedlarz, Chairman and CEO of NBSP. "If the performance standards met by products on the QPL are in the public domain, and if that criteria meets the requirements of any interested user, it saves them both money and time in the acquisition/selection process." According to Siedlarz, the need for a biometric QPL, a concept first conceived by NBSP in 2005, was further demonstrated by the recent Transportation Security Agency (TSA) announcement of a specialized QPL testing program for biometric products that will be used in an aviation security environment.

Dominique Harrington, Director of Testing, stated that Round 2 of QPL testing will begin in early August.

The QPL can be found on the NBSP website:  
([http://www.nationalbiometric.org/01\\_testing\\_qpl\\_round\\_1.php](http://www.nationalbiometric.org/01_testing_qpl_round_1.php)).

### **About NBSP**

The National Biometric Services Project (NBSP) is a not-for-profit biometrics testing, training, research and analysis organization focused on improving the security of the U.S. national infrastructure as well as personal identity by enhancing identity assurance through biometrics. NBSP client services include acquisition support, technology, scenario and operational testing, training, standards development and data services. As a non-profit agency, NBSP is able to assure objectivity and focus on a user-oriented approach to biometric testing and technology development.

### **About TRDC Services, LLC**

TRDC Services, LLC was established by NBSP to provide objective testing and certification of biometric identification and security equipment, which it does at the Test, Research and Data Center in West Virginia. Like NBSP, TRDC Services, LLC is a not-for-profit organization, wholly owned by NBSP, whose services are available to government agencies at the federal, state, and local level, and to private sector agencies responsible for maintaining key components of the national infrastructure.

#####

For additional information contact:  
[ryan@nationalbiometric.org](mailto:ryan@nationalbiometric.org)