

## National Biometric Security Project Selects SAFLINK to Advance Research Initiative

### **SAFLINK's Expertise in Developing Biometric Standards to Assist NBSP's Biometrics for National Security Program to Meet Goals Established by U.S. Policymakers**

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SAFLINK® Corporation (Nasdaq:SFLK), a leading developer, marketer, and integrator of biometric security solutions, today announced its selection as a subcontractor to the National Biometric Security Project (NBSP)'s Biometrics for National Security (BiNS) Program. Funding of the NBSP was mandated by Congress in 2003 and is administered by the National Security Agency.

NBSP is a fully independent, non-government organization, established to facilitate the application of human identification technology for the security of the United States' national civil infrastructure. SAFLINK personnel will assist BiNS in providing improvements in biometric technologies, standards, and test procedures to address the shortfalls between current capabilities and those needed to meet security objectives established by national policymakers. The maximum value of this contract is estimated at \$207,000.

"SAFLINK is one of the industry's leading experts on the development of biometric standards and applications," said John E. Siedlarz, NBSP Chairman and CEO. "The company's executives are well-known as drivers behind the creation and adoption of BioAPI, the first standard specification for biometric applications programs. SAFLINK also has organizational expertise in deploying biometric security systems in many governmental agencies. If we are to successfully achieve NBSP's mission of fostering the use of biometrics-based security to improve national readiness against terrorism, we need the participation of companies like SAFLINK - and we look forward to working with them on BiNS."

The BiNS project will examine and catalog current state-of-the-art biometric technology, standards and practices, and make recommendations for improvements. Specific tasks assigned to SAFLINK will include:

- Developing new standards for improving the application performance and interoperability of biometric technology
- Creating a test and evaluation program for use in federally-sponsored biometric security initiatives
- Establishing a database of known sources of biometric technology
- Providing educational forums to improve government and public understanding of biometrics as applied to defense and civil infrastructure
- Publishing reports on biometric technology related objectives

"SAFLINK is honored to have been selected to work closely with the NBSP team to address the security challenges facing our country today," noted Catherine Tilton, Vice President of Standards and Technology for SAFLINK. "We plan to apply the knowledge that we have gained from a range of successful biometric security deployments -- the

Department of Defense, the U.S. House of Representatives, the Department of Transportation, and Fortune 500 companies -- to help the NBSP to succeed in this project and their overall mission."

### **About NBSP**

As a highly-focused, not-for-profit, civil source of objective expertise in biometrics, NBSP is available to all government agencies at the federal, state, and local level; private sector agencies responsible for components of the national infrastructure; and non-US states and organizations involved in the international anti-terrorist coalition when sanctioned by the US government. Drawing on the resources of an industrial and academic coalition, the NBSP functions as a two-way conduit to: (1) assist the public and private sector in achieving its human identification goals via the application of biometric technology within an integrated and improved security program; and (2) support a fast-track path for the best technology from industry to reach the end-users responsible for homeland security and the protection of the national civil infrastructure.

### **About SAFLINK**

SAFLINK Corporation, a leading provider of integrated enterprise security systems, provides cost-effective software solutions that verify individual identity, protect intellectual property, secure information assets, and eliminate passwords. These solutions are designed to safeguard and simplify access to computer networks, applications, and physical facilities. For more information, please see the Company's website at [www.saflink.com](http://www.saflink.com) or call 800-762-9595.

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