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L-3 COMMUNICATIONS ANNOUNCES CONTRACT AWARD TO DEVELOP A SECURE MOBILE ENVIRONMENT – PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICE -- *Secure Wireless Communications Device* --

NEW YORK, NY, September 15, 2005 – L-3 Communications (NYSE: LLL) announced today that its [Communication Systems-East](#) (L-3 CS-East) division in Camden, New Jersey, has been awarded one of two \$18 million dollar multi-year contracts by the National Security Agency (NSA) to develop the Secure Mobile Environment – Portable Electronic Device (SME-PED).

SME-PED is a secure wireless product that will provide users with voice and data communications supporting security levels up to Top Secret, as well as e-mail communications supporting security levels up to Secret. The SME-PED also provides Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) functionality. The SME-PED will provide the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and other U.S. Government users with a converged voice and e-mail communications device similar to commercially available devices (i.e., BlackBerry®, SideKick®, Treo 650®).

L-3 CS-East is an industry leader in designing, developing and manufacturing Type 1 Secure Telephony terminals for the U.S. DoD.

“We are thrilled to have been selected by the NSA to develop the SME-PED,” said Greg Roberts, president of L-3 CS-East. “SME-PED continues L-3’s legacy of developing leading-edge, high assurance communications products for use by the U.S. Government. L-3 CS-East will leverage recent investments in cryptographic technology as well as our experience and expertise in applying the U.S. Government’s Future Narrow Band Digital Terminal (FNBDT) and High Assurance Internet Protocol Interoperability Specification (HAIPIS) protocols while executing this critical program.”

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L-3 Communication Systems-East, based in Camden, NJ, designs, develops, produces and integrates communication systems and support equipment for commercial, space, ground, air and naval operations. L-3 Communication Systems-East is a division of L-3 Communications.

Headquartered in New York City, L-3 Communications is a leading provider of Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) systems, secure communications systems, aircraft modernization, training and government services. The company is a leading merchant supplier of a broad array of high technology products, including guidance and navigation, sensors, scanners, fuzes, data links, propulsion systems, simulators, avionics, electro optics, satellite communications, electrical power equipment, encryption, signal intelligence, antennas and microwave components. L-3 also supports a variety of Homeland Security initiatives with products and services. Its customers include the Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security, selected U.S. Government intelligence agencies and aerospace prime contractors.

To learn more about L-3 Communications, please visit the company's web site at www.L-3Com.com.

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Except for historical information contained herein, the matters set forth in this news release are forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements set forth above involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from any such statement, including the risks and uncertainties discussed in the company's Safe Harbor Compliance Statement for Forward-looking Statements included in the company's recent filings, including Forms 10-K and 10-Q, with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made, and the company undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

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