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NSA Certifies L-3 HAIPE® IS Version 3 Encryptor

CAMDEN, N.J., May 20, 2009 – L-3 Communication Systems-East announced today that two of its RedEagle™ network encryption products have received National Security Agency (NSA) certification to the HAIPE Interoperability Specification (IS) v3.0.2. These new network encryptors, which are the first to receive this certification, are now available to customers through two previously awarded Department of Defense (DoD) Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (ID/IQ) contracts.

Both the RedEagle KG-240A, a ruggedized 100 Mbps In-Line Network Encryptor (INE) and the RedEagle KG-245A, a tactical 1 Gbps INE were certified. HAIPE IS v3.0.2 is a critical technology used to secure strategic and warfighter networks, support Crypto Modernization and internet protocol transitioning. This secure protocol provides increased interoperability for secure data sharing across the U.S. DoD and select U.S. government agency networks.

In addition to the HAIPE certification, both of these solutions include the Foreign Interoperability (FI) extensions to the HAIPE specification. With these additional FI features, L-3 provides customers secure interoperable networking capabilities to support multi-national coalition partner and homeland security operations. Both RedEagle encryptors include backward interoperability to all fielded HAIPE IS v1.3.5 solutions.

“Receiving the first and second NSA certifications to HAIPE IS v3 and FI continues L-3’s tradition of firsts that include the first ever HAIPE, 10 Gbps HAIPE and client HAIPE” said Gregory B. Roberts, president of L-3 Communication Systems-East (CS-East). “Our portfolio of programmable products enables L-3 to better support our customers’ missions now and in the future”

The KG-240A and KG-245A, provide secure low latency performance along with enhanced networking capabilities. When used with L-3’s new Common HAIPE® Manager, users will benefit from an intuitive, highly-automated Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) v3 element manager that simplifies network operations while providing robust network management capabilities.

In addition to the recently released HAIPE IS v3.0.2 solutions, L-3 is currently developing a HAIPE IS v3.0.2 software upgrade for the 10 Gbps KG-245X and HAIPE IS v3.1.2 software upgrades across the RedEagle family of products. Additional information can be found at www.L-3com.com/HAIPE.

L-3 Communication Systems-East designs, develops, produces and integrates communication systems and encryption solutions for commercial, space, ground, air and naval operations. To learn more about L-3 CS-East, please visit the division’s website at www.L-3com.com/cs-east.

Headquartered in New York City, L-3 Communications employs over 64,000 people worldwide and is a prime contractor in aircraft modernization and maintenance, C³ISR (Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) systems and government services. L-3 is also a leading provider of high technology products, subsystems and systems. The company reported 2008 sales of \$14.9 billion.

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

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RedEagle™ solutions incorporate NetHawk Technology licensed by the Cylink Corporation. Common HAIPE Manager incorporates WebNMS technology licensed by AdventNet.