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New Network Technologies Optimize Security Systems

The growing need to protect people, assets and property has led to an increased focus on security in the workplace. While many facilities currently have security systems in place, innovative technologies are advancing the employment of networked systems to the area of physical security. Newly developed network video surveillance devices offer compatibility with legacy analog based systems, allowing seamless co-existence of analog and digital products, or enable migration to a complete digital platform.

Network security solutions are quickly being embraced due to their convenience, lower cost of installation and ownership, and increasingly superior

image quality. For users, finding the optimal hardware to place on the network is of critical importance. This is particularly true for the cameras at the system's front end and recorders at the back end, as these devices define the quality of the captured video information.

With the advent of the network in security applications comes the need for users to integrate many components, both hardware and software, from different sources. Hardware manufacturers at the forefront are already providing a simplified approach for users with the formation of solution developer networks and open-platform partnerships with complementary manufacturers. Also now available to

users is specialized, enterprise-level consultative assistance in the form of planning, design, installation, and implementation of total networked video surveillance solutions. As a result, more advanced network-based video surveillance systems continue to emerge in high-profile venues such as ball parks, banking institutions, and corporate headquarters.

Integrating all security functions within one network, incorporating both wired and wireless technologies and accessible from every type of network-enabled device, will become the norm. As network security technologies continue to develop, video surveillance will integrate more with other essential operations within organizations and facilities, providing the requisite safety and security to protect important assets.

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Integrating Vital Security Systems At The Enterprise Level

Integration typically involves the sharing of information between two or more systems with the objective of providing a common user interface. This level of connectivity increases efficiency and allows the integrated system to make "intelligent" decisions based on the status of either or both systems.

Security systems operating on the enterprise level incorporate those security technologies most commonly deployed in large scale facilities: video surveillance systems, access control systems, fire and alarm systems. These can be configured, operated and changed in countless ways given the nature of

the system. Once the network connection is established and a common interface is determined for all of the integrated systems, the configuration can be tailored to meet the user's immediate and changing needs. Unlike traditional hardware driven systems, the enterprise security system is limited only by the power of the software controlling it.

In security and surveillance operations, there are a number of systems that can provide information valuable in identifying breaches of procedure, and trends in abnormal activity. By storing the shared data from these systems and providing a common interface capable of "mining" the database, specific

combinations of events can be readily identified and users alerted to defined behavior.

The most significant benefits of enterprise security systems include the capability to manage all of the systems from a centralized location, or any location on the network. In addition, enterprise security systems allow for systems architecture to be distributed along several network nodes with the ability to share data between multiple systems.

To design, install and deploy an enterprise level security system, it is key to find a systems designer and integrator with knowledge and experience in the latest technologies, who has been progressively applying the system building blocks that have led to the realistic deployment of enterprise level security systems.

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Will the Police Respond if Your Business is Broken Into?

A staggering 98% of all alarm activations that police respond to are false, according to the U.S. Department of Justice. A 2% success rate by almost any standard is a failure. Yet the men and women of our police departments are forced to waste valuable time every day chasing false alarms, taking them away from real and necessary police work.

Wasting police resources has never been more glaring. In a post 9/11 world, most departments have been forced to take on additional law enforcement duties, in particular increased Homeland Security responsibilities, despite frequent budget cuts.

Police departments across North America – in cities such as Dallas, Las Vegas, Milwaukee, Salt Lake, Tucson and many others – are combating this problem with Verified Response, an increasingly popular policy whereby police will respond to an alarm only if it can first be verified through audio detection or video technology, or by security guard. The police of course will still immediately respond to all hold-up and panic button activations.

So far, the results of the policy have been very encouraging. A new study that examines the policy's effect in 20 cities shows police were

able to reduce their dispatch rate by an average of 72%, freeing officers' time for higher priority duties. At the same time, the report shows that burglary rates declined in the majority of the jurisdictions with this policy in place for over one year. And because verified burglaries receive a higher priority dispatch, police response times to actual incidents have often improved.

How will this policy affect your business? If it hasn't already, Verified Response could be coming to a city near you. As a business owner, the best way to prepare for it is to talk to your security provider to find out if their solutions meet verification requirements.

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Sonitrol Corporation (Berwyn, PA) is the leading provider of Verified Response security solutions for businesses in North America. Founded by a policeman, the company's technology was created to reduce false alarms and increase apprehensions. Sonitrol's proprietary audio verification capability has assisted local law enforcement in the apprehension of more than 155,000 criminals since 1977. Its integrated suite of offerings includes audio intrusion alarms, access control, video surveillance and fire detection. 1-877-SONITROL • <http://www.sonitrol.com/vr>.

New Motion Detection Technology Revolutionizes Security Systems

Existing Technology, New Innovation – Motion detection sensors based on ultra-wideband (UWB) technology offer expanded capabilities over existing microwave, infrared and other motion sensing technologies. UWB was recently approved for use by the FCC, opening the door for the development and commercialization of new applications. The security industry and all organizations needing increased security will benefit greatly from new UWB-based sensor systems.

Unlike most other transmitters that operate in the frequency domain, UWB motion sensors...

1. Do not need a lens to 'see' into the world

2. Are capable of detecting motion through concrete walls and from under roads

3. Require very little transmitter power – less than a cell phone

4. Operate in the time domain, enabling real time distance measurement of the target

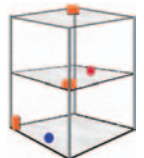
5. Provide target velocity in real time

This ability to detect motion through walls changes the security paradigm. Totally hidden, the sensors are clandestine, tamperproof, weather-proof and virtually undetectable. These sensors can be integrated with existing indoor and outdoor security systems that are Internet compatible. For

example, these motion sensors are being used to direct CCTV cameras in outdoor perimeter security systems for quicker target detection. Alarms can be monitored remotely via the Internet.

In the future, three sensors working together will be able to track motion in 3D, giving a greatly enhanced image of people inside buildings, as illustrated in the graphic.

Other current uses for this technology include portable, wireless life detection systems for First Responders for Search and Rescue in debris piles and collapsed buildings and even smaller, more portable systems for police officers to use as personal protection devices.



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UltraVision Security Systems, Inc. (UVSS) builds on 35 years of UWB technology developed by its parent company Geophysical Survey Systems, Inc., the world leader in ground penetrating radar systems. UVSS specializes in through-wall motion detection and life detection systems using both UWB and microwave technologies. Microwave technology has been licensed from BAE Systems. 866-374-9732 • www.ultravisionsecurity.com