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## Clarence M. Kelley Companies Support DHS Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program

RALEIGH, NC – Police Officers, Sheriff's Deputy's and other first responders joined forces in Raleigh, NC in August to receive Sur-Tec's top of the line video intelligence gathering devices at no cost from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). As part of the program, each recipient was required to attend a one-(1) day training course which detailed every aspect of collecting, reviewing, storing and preparing the evidence for prosecution.



"Training is a huge part of our solution for our Government clients" said Todd Dupriest, Sur-Tec Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. "That's why our product fit so well with the mission of this program. Put the best tool in the world in the hands of someone who has not been trained as to how to use it – it's often useless" Dupriest added.

During the FY2007 CEDAP program, Sur-Tec's XOA Portable Video Surveillance System was the second most requested and second most awarded product of the eighteen-(18) technologies approved and made available by Homeland Security. "3,405 agencies from throughout the U.S. requested

products and training during the FY07' CEDAP program", explained Dupriest. "705 agencies requested our product – that's 20.7% of all those who applied. Once the awards were made by the program, Sur-Tec was contracted to supply 366 agencies with the XOA as well as direct support of the training program.

CEDAP is a DHS program, administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) which was developed to transfer specialized commercial equipment, equipment training, and equipment technical assistance directly to smaller jurisdictions and eligible metropolitan areas.

CEDAP complements the department's other major grant programs to enhance regional response capabilities and mutual aid by providing technology and equipment - together with training and technical assistance required to operate that equipment - to law enforcement, emergency responder and public safety agencies in smaller jurisdictions and certain metropolitan areas.

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