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Coalition Warrior Interoperability Demonstration

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CWID OPENS THE DOOR TO NEW AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE MILITARY, HS/HD AND EMERGENCY RESPONDERS

Industry Day focuses on companies interested in filling DoD and agency capability gaps

HAMPTON, VA — When an iPhone was recently stolen in San Francisco, the thief wouldn't get very far, thanks to a real-time GPS tracking program that told police exactly where to find the phone.

Covia Labs, a Mountain View, Calif.-based company, demonstrated this GPS device, Collaborative Alert and Respond System (CARS), during the Coalition Warrior Interoperability Demonstration (CWID) in June. Covia Labs is among numerous companies that used CWID as a proving ground to determine whether the technology could aid the military, Homeland Security/Homeland Defense and emergency responders.

As the official beginning of CWID's 2011 cycle, Industry Day is scheduled on August 17, 2010 from 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. at the Conference Center at the Maritime Institute, 692 Maritime Blvd., Linthicum Heights, Md. Registration is open to companies seeking to provide technology solutions to the military, Homeland Security/Homeland Defense and the emergency responder community. Visit www.fbconferences.com/cwid/ to register. The registration deadline is August 13. CWID's 2011 Federal Business Opportunity has published at www.fbo.gov

Industry Day highlights/sessions include:

- Keynote Speaker, Rear Admiral Janice M. Hamby, Vice Director for C4 Systems (J6), Joint Chiefs of Staff, The Pentagon
- Guest Speaker, Mr. Jaymie Durnan, Senior Advisor to the Principal Deputy Director, Defense Research and Engineering, The Pentagon
- Sponsorship and Acquisition Pathways
- The CWID Survey Process, Assessments, Network and Security
- Industry Panel consisting of prior CWID participants who will share their experience and provide first-hand advice on how to best leverage the program.

CWID is a Joint Chiefs of Staff-directed annual event that engages cutting-edge information sharing technology focused on operational shortfalls identified by combatant commanders and government agencies. Technologies are approved for participation because they address a new information sharing capability or might improve an existing capability.

Final assessment results for CWID 2010 participating technologies, referred to as Interoperability Trials (ITs), will publish in a Final Report due out in October. These findings are

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used by Department of Defense, federal, state and local government agencies when making acquisition and procurement decisions.

Demonstrations take place worldwide with an emphasis on technology discovery, risk reduction, and interoperability. Technologies are assessed using real-world, operationally-inspired military, HS/HD and emergency responder scenarios. During demonstrations, technologies may receive three types of assessments which include User Utility, Interoperability and Information Assurance.

CWID takes place at multiple venues hosted by Canada, the United Kingdom, NATO and the United States. U.S. demonstration sites include:

- Joint Systems Integration Center at U.S. Joint Forces Command (USJFCOM), Suffolk, Va;
- Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division, Dahlgren, Va.
- Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Pacific (SSC Pacific), San Diego, Calif.
- Electronic Systems Center at Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass.
- U.S. Northern Command, Peterson Air Force, Colo.

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