

Acela Technologies Wins Army, DoD Contract to Provide Wireless Communications

Frederick, MD – Acela Technologies, Inc., a minority, veteran-owned, SBA Certified HUBzone Information Technology company specializing in Information Assurance and Wireless/Mobility Solutions, announced today that it has been selected by the United States Army Information Technology E-Commerce Commercial Contracting Center (ITEC) at Fort Huachuca, Arizona., to provide wireless communications solutions for the Army's Network Enterprise Technology Command and Enterprise Systems Technology Activity (NETCOM-ESTA).

This Blanket Purchase Agreement ("BPA") is available to all U.S. Army, Department of Defense, and National Guard authorized purchasers and calls for Acela Technologies to provide equipment and services for secure, wireless communications in support of military Garrison requirements. Team Acela, which includes a team of industry leaders in wireless communications, was one of the first BPA awardees by ITEC4 and was lauded for their demonstrated ability to provide full life cycle support services and technology required to meet stringent Government requirements. Acela Technologies will utilize the products and technical services of the team which includes Latis Networks, MobileAccess, Cisco Systems, SpectraLink, Comstor, and NetStar-1 to support this contract.

Daryl Boffman, President and CEO of Acela Technologies, stressed the importance of a cohesive team, with exceptional past performance and demonstrated success in providing secure, seamless wireless communications and services to meet the demands of the Federal Government. He stated "by combining the core competencies of industry leading companies such as Latis Networks, MobileAccess Networks, Cisco Systems, SpectraLink, Comstor and NetStar-1, our team is capable of assessing, designing, engineering, installing, testing and maintaining secure and seamless wireless communications." He further noted that "the government's mobile workforce demands ubiquitous, secure wireless communications to meet mission critical requirements and Team Acela is uniquely qualified and positioned to deliver state of the art solutions to include WLAN, VoIP and Video/Teleconferencing in this growing wireless market."

Les Rosenthal, NetStar-1's Vice President of Sales and Operations discussed the technical experience his engineering staff has in the design, deployment and support of converged network-based solutions. "Our technical team has architected and installed complete IP-telephony driven communications systems for a wide array of clients, ranging from our own 30-person corporate staff, to multi-thousand handset implementations. We've built and supported enterprise-class, secure network infrastructures for clients that range up to more than 30,000 users. We've been partnered with Acela's executive team for almost a decade, and have found them to consistently do what they commit to do, and make their clients' priorities their own. Their style of business complements our own, and we're excited to be partnered with them under this BPA."

With more than 20 years of management experience, technical leadership and financial stability, NetStar-1 provides consulting, design & implementation services in key areas such as Network Infrastructure, Security, and Applications Development. NetStar-1 helps its clients take advantage of existing IT investment, and enables government organizations to meet new levels of reliability, performance, and security.

MobileAccess Networks is the leading equipment developer of converged wireless networks for corporate enterprises and wireless service providers. The MobileAccess Product Family leverages patented techniques for the transmission of Radio Frequency (RF) signals over optical fibers. MobileAccess products guarantee business-quality performance and reliability for all current and future wireless voice and data services throughout large buildings and campuses. With hundreds of networks installed worldwide, MobileAccess Networks, founded in 1998 as Foxcom Wireless, UnWires the Workplace with cost-effective, scalable solutions that deliver superior wireless coverage for all current and emerging data and voice applications.

Latis Networks' StillSecure product offering is a suite of network security testing, monitoring, management, and reporting tools that provide a proactive, continuous solution for defending both wired and wireless networks from intrusion and other vulnerabilities. The comprehensive family of products includes updates of the latest attack rules and vulnerabilities and, further, recommends actions to guard against them. The StillSecure suite is highly dependable and protective, while being easy to use, configure, and install.

Cisco Systems (Nasdaq: CSCO) is the worldwide leader in networking for the Internet. Cisco's IP-based networking solutions are the foundation of the Internet and most corporate, education and government networks around the world. Cisco provides the broadest line of solutions for transporting data, voice, and video within buildings, across campuses, or around the world. Cisco offers the broadest line of IP-based wired and wireless technology to include WLAN, IP Telephony, and IP-based Video/Teleconferencing.

SpectraLink Corporation (Nasdaq: SLNK) is the leading U.S. manufacturer and provider of wireless telephone systems for the workplace. SpectraLink's NetLink Wireless Telephones are based on the company's industry-leading wireless telephone systems for the workplace. NetLink Wireless Telephones operate on Wi-Fi networks utilizing the IEEE 802.11b standard, allowing mobile voice and data applications on a single wireless infrastructure. NetLink Wireless Telephones integrate with the best-selling PBX systems.

Comstor, a division of Westcon Group North America, Inc., is a customer-focused, channel provider of leading-edge networking technology products such as Cisco Systems, 3Com, ADTRAN, APC, Enterasys Networks, netForensics, ReefEdge, RSA Security, and Tripwire. With headquarters in Chantilly, VA, Comstor provides professional services, support programs, training and tools needed to make authorized resellers profitable and competitive.

Acela Technologies, Inc., headquartered in Frederick, MD, is lead by a team of leaders with more than 55 years combined management experience, technical leadership, and a proven track record in designing, delivering, operating, and maintaining complex IT solutions. Acela Technologies is quickly gaining recognition as a Secured Wireless Communication leader in the federal market and is uniquely qualified with its strategic partners to quickly and efficiently address government and commercial wireless mission requirements.

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