

Global Aerospace Defense Contractor Deploys BIO-key Fingerprint Technology to Enable Windows Hello for Business

Wall, NJ, January 30, 2019 - <u>BIO-key International, Inc.</u> (NASDAQ: BKYI), an innovative provider of biometric authentication and security solutions, today announced that a global security and Aerospace company has purchased and deployed BIO-key's fingerprint reader solutions in support of the company's initial roll out of Microsoft Windows 10 and Windows Hello for Business. The customer is a multi-billion dollar Aerospace Defense company that provides products and services to governments around the globe. This is the second large Aerospace Defense contractor to deploy BIO-key's fingerprint technology since the introduction of the NIST 800-171 mandate for strong authentication to protect the confidentiality of controlled unclassified information.

Windows Hello for Business enhances security while improving the user experience with a simplified biometric log-on. For this deployment, the customer selected EcoID, BIO-key's most popular enterprise-level compact fingerprint scanner. EcoID is ideal for desktops, laptop docking stations, or thin clients, connecting to the device via a USB cable. The customer also purchased SidePass, which connects directly to the USB port on laptops and tablets. Both EcoID and SidePass have been tested and qualified by Microsoft to bear the Windows Hello-ready mark.

The biometric authentication platform offered by Windows Hello and enabled by BIO-key scanners augments existing security platforms by delivering stronger security and with an unmatched user experience.

"When an organization of this magnitude migrates to biometric authentication it establishes another milestone for the adoption of biometric technology for the enterprise," stated Mike DePasquale, Chairman & CEO, BIO-key. "Organizations of this size and scope make technology and infrastructure decisions that must stand the test of time. BIO-key has purposefully aligned with Microsoft to ensure that our products and our product development complement the leadership and direction they are offering their customers. Microsoft has made a bold statement to its enterprise customers, that biometric sign-in is the future of authentication, with the introduction and promotion of Windows Hello for Business."

About BIO-key International, Inc. (www.bio-key.com)

BIO-key is revolutionizing authentication with <u>biometric solutions</u> that enable convenient and secure access to information and high-stakes transactions. We offer alternatives to passwords, PINs, tokens, and cards to make it easy for enterprises and consumers to secure their devices as well as information in the cloud. Our premium <u>finger scanning devices</u> offer market-leading quality, performance and price. BIO-key also brings the power and ease of use of biometric technology to its <u>TouchLock line</u> of biometric and Bluetooth enabled

BIO-key Safe Harbor Statement

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