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Alion Science & Technology Joins American Security Challenge as Industry Partner

WASHINGTON, March 17 -- Chairman of the National Security Initiative Roger London today announced Alion Science and Technology Corporation as an industry partner with the American Security Challenge to identify emerging technology firms for contracts or partnering agreements. "The Challenge has grown to providing not only needed cash infusions but also to offer emerging technology firms serious partners and contracting opportunities to further their business mission," London said at the announcement.

"We are excited about the potential of this partnership to broaden our understanding of the 'bleeding edge' of the emerging security technology market," said George Stone, Vice President for Program Management from Alion. "We provide breakthrough solutions to our clients and this is an excellent way to validate our current offerings and to find new solutions."

The American Security Challenge is a technology competition for innovators with ideas and technologies aimed at bringing leading edge technology to market to secure America's long-term physical and economic security.

Innovative emerging technology firms are invited to submit their executive summaries for consideration by March 31 - visit www.americansecuritychallenge.com for full eligibility requirements.

The American Security Challenge and Alion Science and Technology bring the power of American innovation together with the power of the free market, by providing small technology companies with critical customer contracting opportunities through Alion. Contract revenue is the lifeblood of smaller tech firms and participation in the Challenge can literally change a company's future.

The Challenge is held in conjunction with the 2009 Homeland Security S&T Stakeholders Conference East, presented by the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA) with subject-matter support provided by the Science & Technology Directorate (S&T) of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on May 18-21, 2009 at the Ronald Reagan Building & International Trade Center in Washington D.C.

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About the American Security Challenge

The American Security Challenge is a non-profit event under the aegis of the National Security Initiative, a non-profit organization that seeks to speed innovative security technologies to market to secure our nation's citizens and critical assets. Launched in 2007, the American Security Challenge selects the best emerging security technology firms for financial and other awards. The Challenge also presents the Patriot Award to a private sector leader that has distinguished him or herself in the service of our nation's security.

About Alion Science & Technology Corporation

Alion Science and Technology is an employee-owned technology solutions company delivering technical expertise and operational support to the Department of Defense, civilian government agencies and commercial customers. Building on 70 years of R&D and engineering experience, Alion brings innovation and insight to multiple business areas: naval architecture & marine engineering; defense operations; systems engineering; modeling & simulation; information management & technology; chemical, biological, nuclear & environmental sciences; wireless spectrum engineering; and industrial technology. Based in McLean, Virginia, Alion employee-owners are located at major offices, customer sites and laboratories worldwide. For more information, call 877.771.6252 or visit Alion online at www.alionscience.com.