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ACCESS selects Alterion as team member of Department of Justice ITSS III Contract

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA, January 17, 2006 - ALTERION, a leader in Independent Verification and Validation Services (IV&V), Independent Testing, and Quality Assurance Services has been added to the Access Systems, Inc. (ACCESS) Department of Justice Information Technology Support Services (ITSS III) team. Under this contract the ACCESS Team competes for and provides IT services to DOJ and other Federal agencies. DOJ ITSS III is a fully competed, multiple award, indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contract comprised of a base period and six option years, with a \$980,000,000 total program ceiling.

As a partner to ACCESS, Alterion will provide a full range of Program level IV&V Services, independent testing, and quality assurance capabilities spanning the entire systems life cycle. "We are excited to be a part of the ACCESS team," said Matthew Shapiro, an Alterion Principal. "Alterion looks forward to providing our comprehensive and proven Program level IV&V services."

About Alterion

Alterion was founded in March, 2000 with the goal of becoming a premier provider of IT Program IV&V Management and Support services. Headquartered in suburban Philadelphia, Alterion has since been successfully involved in numerous programs for corporate and government organizations.

Alterion provides a complete set of Independent Verification and Validation services through its proprietary SharpThought[™] methodology. As a cost-effective method for assuring successful IT system acquisition and deployment, SharpThought minimizes risk during all phases of an engagement by identifying problems, and their corresponding corrective actions, when they can be mitigated at the lowest cost to a program.

Through SharpThought Services[™], Alterion delivers IV&V expertise in areas such as Quality Management, Risk Mitigation, Requirements Analysis, Process Improvement, Performance Testing, and IT Consulting. Alterion's capabilities are further augmented by its rich network of industry partners, enabling Alterion to provide comprehensive and distinct services.

Alterion falls under the classification of a Small Business, as defined by the United States Government. For more information visit Alterion's website at <u>www.alterion.com</u>.

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