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BLOCK DESIGNATION NOTICE

The Department of Homeland Security (the “Department”) has completed its review of the TSA Certified Cargo Screening Program-Canine (“CCSP-K9”) as a Block, pursuant to the Support Anti-terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies Act of 2002, 6 U.S.C. §§ 441–444 (the “SAFETY Act”), and the Regulations Implementing the Support Anti-terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies Act of 2002, 6 C.F.R. Part 25, 71 Fed. Reg. 33147, 33159 (June 8, 2006) (the “Regulations”). Pursuant to Section 25.3 of the Regulations, the Secretary of Homeland Security has delegated responsibilities, powers, and functions under the SAFETY Act, except the authority to declare that an act is an Act of Terrorism for purposes of Section 444(2) of the SAFETY Act, to the “Under Secretary for Science and Technology of the Department or the Under Secretary's designees.” The Under Secretary for Science and Technology has designated the Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology as another senior official who, in addition to the Under Secretary for Science and Technology, has authority to make SAFETY Act determinations regarding Designations, Certifications, and other matters in accordance with the SAFETY Act and the Regulations.

In accordance with Sections 25.4(b) and 25.6(h) of the Regulations, DHS has determined that Certified Cargo Screening Facilities-Canine (“CCSF-K9”), as evaluated by the Transportation Security Administration, affirmatively satisfy the criteria for a SAFETY Act Block Designation and are therefore eligible to apply for inclusion in this Block Designation. A determination of inclusion will be made by DHS in accordance with Section 25.6(h) of the Regulations, following an expedited review of the application, subject to the terms and conditions below.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Block Designation of Certified Cargo Screening Facilities-Canines (“CCSF-K9”) as Qualified Anti-Terrorism Technologies. By being approved by the Transportation Security Administration to operate, Applicants have affirmatively met the technical criteria for SAFETY Act Designation with respect to the Technology, as defined in Exhibit A.
- Timeline for Expedited Review. Pursuant to a complete Application, the Office of SAFETY Act Implementation (“OSAI”) expects to process complete applications related

to this Block Designation Notice within 90 days of receipt. This will allow for a complete review of an Applicant's insurance and financial information.

- Application Requirements.
 - OSAI will coordinate with the Transportation Security Administration to verify applicants under the Block Designation are certified to provide the services defined in Exhibit A.
 - Applicants under this Block Designation Notice will be required to submit a Block Designation Application via the SAFETY Act Website (www.safetyact.gov).
 - Pursuant to Section 443(a) of the SAFETY Act and Sections 25.5(a) and (g) of the Regulations, *Selected Vendors as defined in Section 25.6(g) of the SAFETY Act Regulations* shall obtain or maintain liability insurance for otherwise compensable third-party claims arising out of, relating to, or resulting from an Act of Terrorism when the Technology has been deployed in defense against, response to, or recovery from such an act. To establish such a limit, the Applicant will submit answers to Items BD11 and BD12 in the Block Designation Application (D16 and D17 in the standard Designation application kit).
- Term of this Block Designation Notice. This Block Designation Notice will expire on June 30, 2024. The expiration of this Notice is independent from, and will have no effect on, the term of a Designation received by any CCSF-K9 applicant.
- Other Conditions. This Block Designation may be reviewed and modified at any time by the Department of Homeland Security.

Note: Please refer to specific CCSF-K9 instructions posted on www.safetyact.gov for further guidance on filing an application pursuant to this Block Designation Notice. Any questions regarding this Block Designation Notice should be directed to the SAFETY Act Help Desk either by email at SAFETYActHelpDesk@dhs.gov or by phone at 1-866-788-9318. Please Reference "CCSF-K9" in all correspondence.

Sincerely,



André L. Hentz
Deputy Under Secretary (Acting) for Science and
Technology

EXHIBIT A

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**THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
CERTIFIED CARGO SCREENING FACILITIES – CANINE (“CCSF-K9”)**

[*TSA CCSP-K9 Company Name*], (the “Seller”), a state of [*State of incorporation*] corporation, operates as a Certified Cargo Security Facility-Canine (“CCSF-K9”) provider in accordance with directives issued by the Transportation Security Administration (“TSA”) for the screening and securing of cargo which will be transported on passenger and all-cargo aircraft (the “Technology”). In order to provide the Technology, the Seller must comply with all related statutory, regulatory, and program requirements for screening of air cargo, intended for transport via aircraft operating pursuant to a TSA-approved or accepted security program. Authority to provide the Technology is provided via written approval from TSA.

In accordance with TSA directives, the Seller will provide explosive detection canine teams consisting of one-dog and one-handler. Canines will be exclusively trained to identify explosives. The Seller will maintain an Operational Implementation Plan (“OIP”) that lists the facilities in which it operates along with the canine teams operating at each location. Canine teams must meet TSA CCSP-K9 requirements for initial, annual, and maintenance training.

The Seller will also provide a security plan for the screening of air cargo, training, and vetting of employees in accordance with TSA guidance, and adhere to all TSA requirements in the CCSP-K9 or any other applicable TSA-approved or accepted security programs in the area screening is being conducted. The Seller obtains and maintains (by renewal) TSA approval to provide the Technology.

The Technology includes only those locations which are included in the Seller’s approved OIP.