



## **Global Firearms Manufacturer and DoD Contractor Selects BIO-key Biometric Authentication Solutions for Workstation & Kiosk Access**

*BIO-key Meets NIST SP800-171 Compliance Requirement*

**Wall, NJ, June 6, 2017** – **BIO-key International, Inc.** (OTCQB: BKYL), an innovative provider of biometric software and hardware solutions for strong and convenient user authentication, today announced it was selected by a global firearms manufacturer and Department of Defense (DoD) contractor to deliver a secure, convenient and compliant biometric authentication solution for access to workstations and kiosk's within their manufacturing facilities.

Organizations operating in highly regulated industries are required to meet NIST SP800-171 multi-factor compliance guidelines for accessing unclassified government documents and applications online. The compliance guidelines impact all government contractors and subcontractors with an implementation deadline of December 31, 2017. BIO-key's biometric authentication solutions meet these requirements.

BIO-key's ID Director for Windows and PIV-PRO, a FIPS 140-2 certified fingerprint reader, enable this customer to deploy multi-factor biometric authentication to increase online security while delivering the ease and convenience of one-touch authentication.

"Government and other highly regulated industries are finding fingerprint biometric authentication to be the least invasive and most cost effective way to address the NIST SP800-171 multi-factor requirement," stated Barbara Rivera, COO, BIO-key. "Government and C-level IT executives are recognizing that smart cards are costly and hard to manage, tokens and PINs are disruptive and negatively impact workflow, and passwords have proven cumbersome and ineffective. Fingerprint authentication emerges as the fastest, most secure and most convenient option when organizations and individuals measure the performance and utilization preferences of various authentication methods."

### **About BIO-key International, Inc. ([www.bio-key.com](http://www.bio-key.com))**

BIO-key is revolutionizing security and authentication with convenient, secure and cost effective biometric solutions that protect devices, data and financial transactions. BIO-key solutions eliminate passwords, PINs, tokens and cards, making it easy for enterprises to implement enhanced security for devices and information in the cloud. BIO-key's patented software algorithms and premium finger scanning devices, including **SideTouch**, **SideSwipe** and **EcoID**, offer market-leading quality, performance and price. New products launching mid-2017 include **TouchLock™**, biometric enabled padlocks; **FreePass™**, a portable/wearable fingerprint reader and **Q-180Touch**, a new micro USB fingerprint reader targeted for Android devices.

### **BIO-key Safe Harbor Statement**

Certain statements contained in this press release may be construed as "forward-looking statements" as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act"). The words "estimate," "project," "intends," "expects," "anticipates," "believes" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are made based on management's beliefs, as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, management pursuant to the "safe-harbor" provisions of the Act. These statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that may cause actual

results to differ materially from those projected on the basis of these statements. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, our history of losses and limited revenue, our ability to develop new products and evolve existing ones, market acceptance of biometric solutions generally and our specific offerings, our ability to expand into the Asian market, the impact on our business of the recent financial crisis in the global capital markets, and resultant negative global economic impacts, and our ability to attract and retain key personnel. For a more complete description of these and other risk factors that may affect the future performance of BIO-key International, Inc., see "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 and its other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. The Company undertakes no obligation to disclose any revision to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date made.

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