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TSA Selects MorphoTrust USA to Give Applicants the Convenience of “One-Stop-Shops” for Enrollment Services



BILLERICA, Mass., Apr 10, 2012 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- The U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has selected MorphoTrust USA as the prime contractor for its new Universal Enrollment Service (UES), which will transition multiple programs into a consolidated service with convenient locations for individuals requiring enrollment and registration for programs serviced by TSA. The checks include the capture of biometric (facial pictures and fingerprints) and biographic data to ensure that individuals seeking access to critical segments of the nation's transportation system, infrastructure, or sensitive materials do not pose a threat to national security.

The award furthers MorphoTrust's commitment to simplify, protect, and secure the lives of the American people. As programs such as the Transportation Worker Identity Credential (TWIC) and Hazardous Materials Endorsement Threat Assessment Program (HTAP) begin transitioning into the UES program, MorphoTrust will provide applicant services via the web, telephone, and in person at hundreds of centers - including in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and U.S. Territories.

Headquartered in Billerica, Mass., MorphoTrust is well-positioned to deliver solutions of this significance and sensitivity, having enrolled nearly two million individuals to date for the current TWIC and HTAP programs. The company employs approximately 1,100 people, and operates over 1,200 ID service centers across the U.S., each staffed by certified trust agents. MorphoTrust currently provides driver license issuance solutions to 41 of the 50 states and the District of

Columbia; and the multi-modal biometric software for the Department of Defense (DoD) Enterprise.

"MorphoTrust is honored and pleased the TSA has entrusted our team with this significant opportunity to increase convenience for transportation workers while enhancing the security of Americans," said MorphoTrust CEO Robert Eckel. "We have many years of experience delivering successful systems where there is a need for the vetting of individuals, and where multiple biometrics such as face, fingerprints, and iris are required. The system we will manage for TSA can be configured to meet the agency's evolving security and operational needs, and will add convenience for workers through more locations and a one-stop-shop approach."

The TSA intends to move existing enrollment programs to UES as contracts expire, new regulations and policies are implemented, new legislation is enacted, or as new programs and initiatives become active. The first program expected to transition to UES is TWIC. The base UES contract is for one year, with four options for one year each. The total contract value for five years is estimated to be \$248 million. At its peak, the program is expected to enroll over 600,000 applicants per year.

About MorphoTrust USA™

MorphoTrust USA™ -- a Morpho company, and part of the Safran group -- is the leading U.S. provider of identity solutions to simplify, protect and secure the lives of Americans. The company's offerings help to verify the identity of applicants and deliver the secure credentials that individuals rely on to exercise their civil rights, gain access to benefits and services, and ensure trusted transactions, while reducing fraud and enhancing national security. MorphoTrust is subject to a Proxy Agreement with the DoD and a National Security Agreement with the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States. These agreements, which have the force of law, are intended to protect the design and production of sensitive technology and the storage of sensitive information against unauthorized foreign control and access. The company delivers solutions for secure ID issuance, such as U.S. driver licenses and passports, as well as for border management, law enforcement, retail, travel and applicant vetting through the use of document authentication, data verification and biometrics (iris, fingerprints and face). We serve many U.S. federal agencies and businesses, operating in all 50 U.S. states. The company also has a nationwide network of ID service centers, with over 1,200 convenient locations.

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