



## NEWS RELEASE

### Point Blank Enterprises and Tactical & Survival Specialties Awarded Exclusive Body Armor Contract for the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation

**Pompano Beach, FL and Harrisonburg, VA, October 20, 2014** – Point Blank Enterprises (“Point Blank” or “PBE”), the worldwide leader in the production of soft body armor and related protective solutions, and Tactical & Survival Specialties (TSSi), the oldest privately held tactical equipment company in the United States, today announced that the companies have secured an exclusive contract to provide the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) with the Alpha Elite™ body armor system. The initial contract award is for a period of one year and provides an additional, four one-year options with a maximum dollar value of \$30 million over the life of the contract.

“This is a major win for our organization and for TSSi, our strategic partner, and we couldn’t be prouder to be chosen as the exclusive providers of body armor systems to the FBI,” stated Michael Foreman, Point Blank’s EVP of International Business Development, Federal Sales and Marketing. “For the past few years, we have worked on developing systems for all servicemen and women, including Military, Law Enforcement, Special Forces and the Federal Government. With our breakthrough in ballistic protection, leveraging DSM’s Dyneema® Force Multiplier Technology, our Alpha Elite system is the perfect solution. It truly is our honor to now service one of the most prestigious organizations in the world, the FBI.”

As the first and most advanced body armor ever to be designed around the revolutionary Dyneema® Force Multiplier Technology, the Alpha Elite™ AXII and AXIIIA ballistic packages have exceeded all performance requirements, including tests for maximum velocity approaching or exceeding 2,000 fps. Made possible through the fusion of polymer science, fiber technology and uni-directional engineering, key features include:

- Multi-hit performance exceeding FBI protocol
- Special-threat performance exceeding FBI protocol
- NIJ Standard 0101.06 compliance in Level II and IIIA configurations
- Extremely high effectiveness against fragmentation
- Extraordinarily efficient absorption of impact energy
- Lightest NIJ .06 Level II and Level IIIA products
  - o Level II is 20 percent lighter than the best models in the industry
  - o Level IIIA is nearly 25 percent lighter than the average of the best models in the industry
- Thinnest NIJ .06 Level IIIA product – over 30 percent thinner than the average of the best Level IIIA packages in the industry
- Highest performing Level II model – outperforms the previous best Level II models by five percent with a higher v50
- Ballistics available in the Elite concealable carrier and the Alpha-1 tactical armor systems for both male and female officers

PBE’s R&D team developed Body Armor Kits (with and without plate carriers) specific to the FBI’s requirements. All of the carriers (concealable and tactical) utilize the Alpha Elite Level IIIA technology.

“This was a stringent selection process where weight, flexibility and comfort were critical. Most important, was finding a solution that met various protection protocols and that’s what drove us to partner with Point Blank,” said Bill Strang, President and CEO of TSSi. “The systems developed for the FBI are unlike any other in the market, with the best ballistic protection possible. Other government personnel can also benefit from this contract and we hope they do, as we can provide them with the same system, or develop a modified solution that addresses their mission-critical needs. It is our honor to work with the FBI and we take great pride in knowing we are making a difference – protecting Government personnel that strive to protect us every day.”





Mr. Foreman concluded, “This contract builds on our core business within the U.S. Federal market and is testament to our leadership position in providing unparalleled protective solutions across the board to our Federal, state, and local enforcement agencies. We will continue to focus on driving innovation and improving performance to support all officers in their missions. Protecting lives remains our #1 priority.”

Prior to this latest contract award, TSSi and PBE respectively, have provided mission-critical equipment and body armor systems to various Federal and Government agencies, including the Department of State, Marine Corps Civilian Police, U.S. National Park Service, U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, among others. The companies look forward to working even more closely with these Federal agencies, both directly and through the GSA program, to deliver the benefits of their unique, game-changing solutions.

#### **About Point Blank Enterprises, Inc.**

Point Blank Enterprises, Inc. (“PBEI”) is a leading provider of high performance protective solutions, including bullet, fragmentation and stab resistant apparel and related accessories. Through its key brands, Point Blank Body Armor, Protective Apparel Corporation of America (PACA), Protective Products and PARACLETE®, the Company ranks as the largest global supplier of ballistic and soft armor systems in the world. The Company’s ballistic solutions have been credited with saving countless lives for the most important customers in the world, including the U.S. Armed Forces, Department of Defense, Federal Government and law enforcement, corrections and security personnel, both domestically and abroad. For more information on our Company, please visit our website at [www.pointblankenterprises.com](http://www.pointblankenterprises.com).

#### **About Tactical & Survival Specialties, Inc.**

Tactical & Survival Specialties, Inc. (TSSi) is a certified and verified Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business that has been providing specialized operational equipment and logistics support to the military, law enforcement, and disaster response professionals around the world for more than 30 years. TSSi specializes in the integration of products into specialized kits that are packaged to customers’ specifications. For more information, please visit [www.tssi-ops.com](http://www.tssi-ops.com).

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