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## Secure Worker Access Consortium Selects AssureID<sup>™</sup> Software to Authenticate Identification Documents

**Flemington, NJ.** – **February 13, 2012** - The Secure Workers Access Consortium (SWAC<sup>™</sup>) today announced the deployment of AssureID<sup>™</sup> by AssureTec Technologies, Inc. of Manchester, NH, to instantly authenticate the identification documents SWAC applicants present when enrolling for membership at a SWAC Processing Center.

SWAC, a unique cooperative security program developed in response to the critical security issues posed after 9/11, helps to ensure that contracted workers who require access to designated secure areas, sensitive facilities, or work sites are known, well-trained, and have a threat-free history in accordance with federal standards. An industry-wide cooperative program, SWAC represents a growing regional community of facility owners, labor organizations, and contractors who voluntarily assure the identity and criminal background of their workers.

To validate them, SWAC applicants must present government issued identification credentials such as a social security card, driver's license, passport, visa, and/or other federal, state, and local government IDs during their initial enrollment process. AssureID's fraud detection technology, now at the World Trade Center SWAC Processing Center, indicates whether these credentials are authentic or fraudulent. Additionally, AssureID identifies the issuer, the type of document, captures all of the biographic and documentation information, and analyzes the features of the document to determine in seconds whether a document is valid.

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AssureID's authentication technology is used to screen enrollment documents for the Transportation Workers Identity Credential (TWIC) and most of the US Government HSPD-12 credentialing and secure access programs.

"We are pleased to cooperate with SWAC in enhancing the security of their Secure Worker Program by the addition of AssureID document screening technology," Dr. Bruce Reeves, CEO of AssureTec noted. "AssureTec believes that SWAC is leading the way toward a cooperative industry wide interoperable credentialing paradigm which allows the free safe movement of workers between projects and employment opportunities."

More than five years in operation, SWAC is a trusted and proven personnel assurance program for sensitive worksites throughout the NY/NJ Metro Area including the World Trade Center complex, NY/NJ airports, rail and bus terminals, bridges, and other transportation facilities to ensure contracted workers are known, and threat free. Transportation agencies such as the Port Authority of NY & NJ (PANYNJ), Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA), New Jersey Transit (NJT), and The New Jersey Turnpike Authority (NJTA) have adopted SWAC as the regional standard for access control to sensitive facilities, critical infrastructures and key national resources.

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## About SWAC

SWAC complies with the criteria proposed by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) list of disqualifying criminal offenses. These are detailed in 49 CFR 1542.209 and 1572.103. Additionally, the advanced, patent-pending technology used by SWAC enables real-time secure information sharing among disconnected facilities on a strictly need-to-know basis and provides a seamless link for real-time verification of workers who travel among worksites. SWAC numbers over 35,000 contractors, 23 unions and over 50,000 members.

For more information visit www.secureworker.com

## About AssureTec

AssureTec 's world's leading automated ID document screening and authentication software platform and document database has the ability to authenticate any one of over 2,500 different worldwide identity document types including machine readable and non-standard identity documents. AssureTec' s software and document database is imbedded in the world's leading access control, credentialing and commercial ID fraud solutions. With thousands of AssureTec solutions installed and operating globally, AssureTec's software and document database solutions have been selected time after time for the most discriminating security applications involving critical borders, high profile chemical and nuclear facilities, US Government credentialing programs as well as commercial enterprises to screen the ID's of prospective customers, employees and visitors in real time.

For more information visit <u>www.assuretec.com</u>