

Contraband Cell Phone Detectors Continue to Win Industry Awards

METUCHEN, N.J., /PRNewswire/ -- Berkeley Varitronics Systems, Inc. (BVS), has won additional awards for the Wolfhound family of security products. On October 24th, in Orlando, Florida the International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference had their annual ceremony that included the 2010 Innovation Awards. The Wolfhound-LITE Cell Phone Detector won the award in the "Corrections & Security" category.

On November 1, BVS also won the 2010 Mid-Atlantic Innovation Competition in the "Telecommunications Industry" category presented by the New Jersey Technology Council. The award was for both the Wolfhound and Wolfhound-LITE Cell Phone Detectors. In addition, BVS was also awarded one of only four first place awards 'for the products' uniqueness and ability to succeed.

Earlier this year Wolfhound was recognized for having the leading product in the wireless security category at the 2010 GovSec Expo and Conference in Washington, D.C. Combined with the above referenced awards this now makes three high profile awards to date.

The issue of contraband cell phones in correctional facilities is becoming the number one issue for prison officials. According to the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), the use of contraband cell phones by inmates has risen as the U.S. prison population continues to expand. For example, during 2006 California correctional officers seized approximately 261 cell phones in the State's prisons and camps; by October 2009, that number had jumped to 4,130.

A further application of the products is in campus and testing environments where cell phones can be used to share or store access to unauthorized information.

The Wolfhound-LITE allows correctional facilities to enforce an affordable NO CELL PHONE USE policy, since each security officer could potentially be equipped with a cell phone detecting watchdog.

"In less than one year we have sold hundreds of our Wolfhound and Wolfhound-LITE cell phone detection tools to both domestic and international correctional facilities to combat the growing problem of contraband cell phones and these industry awards are a further indication of our success," said Scott Schober, President & CEO of BVS.

"The exciting part about a mobile cell phone detection tool is that we continue to grow our customer base selling to many federal customers, security personnel, universities, and even getting attention from fleet management integrators," added Schober.

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