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KASTLE SYSTEMS ACHIEVES FISMA CERTIFICATION TO SUPPORT SECURITY INITIATIVES FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Accomplishment Makes Kastle a Uniquely Certified Managed Services

Provider for Physical Access Control

Falls Church, Va.-- Kastle Systems has completed the steps necessary to achieve FISMA certification. The rigorous process took approximately 12 months and makes Kastle one of the only FISMA-certified managed services providers for physical access control.

The Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) was developed as part of the E-Government Act, signed into law in late 2002. The act requires federal agencies to develop, document and implement programs to ensure information security. FISMA regulations pertain to contractors and vendors that provide services to the government as well; any system operated either by or on behalf of the government requires FISMA certification.

"Understanding and adhering to the latest mandates and requirements is just one way in which Kastle supports government agencies," states Brad Osborne, Public Sector Director for Kastle Systems. "By leveraging our FISMA-certified system, an agency can forgo the expense and lengthy process of certification for each security system that it deploys."

According to Laura Taylor, President of Relevant Technologies who assisted Kastle and is the author of the FISMA Certification and Accreditation Handbook, "Kastle Secure for Government was evaluated and meets U.S. federal agency requirements. Kastle Systems went the extra mile to implement all of the necessary security controls."

In addition to FISMA, Kastle was the first managed services provider to build a solution that meets the requirements of Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 (HSPD-12). Kastle also fulfills Federal Information Processing Standard Publication 201 (FIPS 201).

"We've made substantial investments to provide the best security solutions to the US Government," says Brian Eckert, EVP of Kastle Systems. "But this milestone really underscores Kastle's commitment to supporting the public sector."

About Kastle Secure for Government

Kastle Systems has been providing innovative security solutions to the US Government for over 39 years. Clients include the Department of Homeland Security, Department of Defense, Social Security Administration, Department of the Treasury, and the Securities and Exchange Commission. A FISMA-compliant organization, Kastle was the first managed services provider to create and launch a solution which meets the requirements of Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 (HSPD-12). With state-of-the-art video analytics, best-in-breed access control, and a tight integration of the two, Kastle Systems is the chosen provider for government security needs. Headquartered in Falls Church, Virginia, Kastle Systems secure and support thousands of sites and millions of card holders. To learn more about Kastle's security solutions, visit WWW.KASTLE.COM or call 855-KASTLE-1 (527-8531).