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BEDFORD, Mass., March 16, 2010 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- Aware, Inc. (Nasdaq: AWRE), a global provider of imaging and biometrics software, today announced that it has supplied biometrics software for Lockheed Martin's Advanced Technology Workstation (ATW). Lockheed Martin recently announced that they had successfully delivered the first ATWs for the Next Generation Identification (NGI) system. ATW includes several COTS Aware software products, including NISTPack, WSQ1000, AccuPrint™, and AccuScan™.

"Aware's partnership with Lockheed Martin goes back to the earliest days of automated biometric identification, when we collaborated to enable advanced fingerprint capture and quality assurance," said Rob Mungovan, vice president at Aware. "We are pleased to again be contributing best-of-breed biometrics technology to the most advanced biometric identification system in the world."

Aware's software products are valuable to system integrators because they provide advanced biometric image and data processing functionality in highly modular, easy to use components. They can also be used to extend the lifetime and reduce the ongoing maintenance costs of a biometric hardware/software solution, because they are kept synchronized with evolving technology standards, and also with new hardware devices as they become available, including fingerprint live scan devices, digital cameras, and flatbed scanners.

#### **About Aware**

Aware is a leading technology and supplier for the telecommunications and biometrics industries. Aware has pioneered innovations at telecommunications standards-setting organizations for DSL and networking. Telecom equipment vendors and phone companies use Aware's DSL test and diagnostics modules and Dr. DSL® software to provision and troubleshoot DSL circuits globally. Aware is also a veteran of the biometrics industry, providing biometric and imaging software components used in government systems worldwide since 1992. Aware's interoperable, standard-compliant, field-proven imaging products are used in a number of applications, from border management to criminal justice to medical imaging. Aware is a publicly held company (Nasdaq: AWRE) based in Bedford, Massachusetts. [www.aware.com](http://www.aware.com)

#### **Safe Harbor Warning**

Portions of this release contain forward-looking statements regarding future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties, such as estimates or projections of future revenue and earnings and the growth of the biometrics markets. Aware wishes to caution you that there are factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results indicated by such statements. Biometric factors include, but are not limited to: market acceptance of our biometric technologies and products; changes in contracting practices of government or law enforcement agencies; the failure of the biometrics market to experience continued growth; announcements or introductions of new technologies or products by our competitors; failures or problems in our biometric software products; delays in the adoption of new industry biometric standards; growth of proprietary biometric systems which do not conform to industry standards; our ability to sell services contracts in a manner that is consistent with our business model; our ability to deliver service contract milestones; and our dependence on third party contractors and consultants to deliver certain services contract milestones. We refer you to the documents Aware files from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission, specifically the section titled Risk Factors in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 and other reports and filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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