

## Aware, Inc. Introduces Biometrics Software for Tenprint Autocapture

# Aware's CaptureSuite(TM) family of software kits applies advanced image processing technology to the difficult challenge of rapidly collecting ten high-quality fingerprints

BEDFORD, Mass., Oct. 1 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Aware, Inc. (Nasdaq: AWRE), a global provider of imaging and biometrics software, today announced the introduction of CaptureSuite, a family of software development kits used to perform rapid autocapture and compliance assurance of ten fingerprints, and subsequent formatting for submission to a watchlist database. Capturing ten fingerprints quickly while maintaining sufficient image quality is crucial to this emerging requirement and poses a difficult image processing challenge. CaptureSuite was developed to address this challenge, improving the efficiency of the tenprint capture process while ensuring that images are compliant, properly identified, and of sufficient quality. CaptureSuite software components work in conjunction with fingerprint live scan hardware devices, performing several key functions including autocapture, segmentation, hand detection, quality analysis, and standard-compliant formatting. The U.S. Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs has begun to deploy CaptureSuite to its consulate offices as part of its BioVisa program. The BioVisa enrollment process has recently been modified to require collection of ten fingerprints from visa applicants; it had previously required collection of just two fingerprints.

"Aware's CaptureSuite represents a groundbreaking advancement of fingerprint autocapture technology that enables users to capture ten high- quality, compliant fingerprints rapidly and reliably," commented David Benini, director of product marketing. "We're pleased to have the opportunity to apply our deep image processing expertise to this increasingly important requirement."

#### About CaptureSuite

CaptureSuite is a family of software development kits with sample applications that are used to build enrolment stations for capture and submission of fingerprints, and includes FastCapture<sup>™</sup>, SequenceCheck<sup>™</sup>, and NISTPack with WSQ1000. FastCapture performs real-time and post-capture analysis of fingerprint images to ensure their quality and compliance. SequenceCheck helps ensure that all captured fingerprints are correctly captured and identified. NISTPack with WSQ1000 performs image compression and data formatting in full compliance with the 2007 version of ANSI/NIST standards for submission of background check fingerprint files to the FBI. More information about CaptureSuite is available at www.aware.com/CaptureSuite.

#### **About Aware**

Aware is 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 also a leading technology supplier for the telecommunications industries. For more than ten years, Aware has pioneered innovations at telecommunications standards-setting organizations and continues to develop and market DSL silicon intellectual property and test and diagnostics products. Its StratiPHY™ IP product line supports DSL standards, including ADSL2+ and VDSL2, and has been broadly licensed to leading semiconductor companies. Telecom equipment vendors and phone companies use Aware's DSL test and diagnostics modules and Dr. DSL® software to help provision DSL circuits globally. Aware is a publicly held company (NASDAQ: AWRE) based in Bedford, Massachusetts. www.aware.com

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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, 2006 and other reports and filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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