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## **Aware Introduces INQUIRE™ Software for Text-Based Identity Data Management and Analytics**

### **"INformation Quality and Identity Resolution Engine" SDK complements biometric search with text-based filter, search, match, and link algorithms**

BEDFORD, Mass., Sept. 11, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Aware, Inc. (NASDAQ: AWRE), a leading global provider of biometrics software and services, today introduced a new software development kit product called INQUIRE™, an acronym for "INformation QUality and Identity Resolution Engine." INQUIRE uses advanced text-based filter, search, match, and link algorithms to provide a variety of useful identity data processing and analysis functions that are complementary to biometric search and match operations. Capabilities enabled by INQUIRE include data integration, data quality analysis, identity resolution, fuzzy text search and match with similarity scoring, name and address matching, link analysis, and biometric pre- and post-search filtering. INQUIRE is not a platform, but rather a lightweight SDK that can be incorporated by developers into the workflows of their client- and server-based applications. Alternatively, INQUIRE may be deployed as a software module with Aware's Biometric Services Platform (BioSP™).

"Aware's introduction of INQUIRE reflects the usefulness of text-based identity data in biometric systems," commented David Benini, VP of Marketing at Aware. "The ability to interpret textual identity data adds a dimension of analysis that is powerful not only for discovery of insightful identity information, but also towards characterizing identity data and optimizing its effectiveness. By bundling these algorithms in an SDK form factor, INQUIRE gives developers the flexibility to apply them in a highly customizable fashion towards enhancing and optimizing end-user solutions."

Aware will provide demonstrations of INQUIRE and other software products in its booth at the [Global Identity Summit](#), formerly known as the Biometrics Consortium Conference and Technology Expo, taking place September 16-18 in Tampa.

#### **About Aware**

Aware is a leading provider of biometrics software products and development services to governments, system integrators, and solution providers globally. Our products include SDKs, software components, workstation applications, and a modular, centralized, service-oriented platform. They fulfill a broad range of functions critical to biometric authentication and search, including face, fingerprint, and iris autocapture, image quality assurance, data compliance, capture hardware peripheral abstraction, centralized data processing and workflow, subsystem connectivity, and biometric matching algorithms. The products are used to enable identity-centric security solutions with biometrics for applications including border management, credentialing and access control, intelligence and defense, and law enforcement. Aware is a publicly held company (Nasdaq: AWRE) based in Bedford, Massachusetts.

See Aware's [website](#) for more information about our biometrics software products.

#### **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.

Risk factors related to our business include, but are not limited to: i) our operating results may fluctuate significantly and are difficult to predict; ii) we derive a significant portion of our revenue from government customers, and our business may be adversely affected by changes in the contracting or fiscal policies of those governmental entities; iii) we derive a significant portion of our revenue from third party channel partners; iv) we face intense competition from other biometrics solution providers; v) our business is subject to rapid technological change; vi) our software products may have errors, defects or bugs which could harm our business; vii) our business may be adversely affected by our use of open source software; viii) our intellectual property is subject to limited protection; ix) we may be sued by third parties for alleged infringement of their proprietary rights; x) we must attract and retain key personnel; xi) we rely on single sources of supply for certain components

used in our hardware products; xii) our business may be affected by government regulations and adverse economic conditions; and xiii) we may make acquisitions that could adversely affect our results.

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, 2013 and other reports and filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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