



Trimble Acquires Visual Statement to Expand Its Presence in Public Safety

SUNNYVALE, Calif., Oct 12, 2006 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Trimble (Nasdaq: TRMB) today announced that it has acquired privately-held Visual Statement Inc. of Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada in an all-cash transaction. Visual Statement provides state-of-the-art desktop software tools for crime and collision incident investigation, analysis and reconstruction, as well as state-wide enterprise solutions for reporting and analysis used by public safety agencies. The company is an additional investment in the Mobile Solutions business segment that supports Trimble's strategy of providing productivity solutions for mobile workers. Financial terms were not disclosed.

Visual Statement's software provides real-time mapping and diagramming of traffic accidents and crime scenes through direct communications with all types of electronic measuring tools used by law enforcement specialists. The software applications, loaded onto a handheld, notebook or desktop computer, allow officers to collect data at the scene in electronic form, which significantly reduces paperwork and facilitates the reporting and review process. Visual Statement's desktop software, Vista FX2, is an innovative 3-D incident diagramming and reconstruction software product developed in Microsoft's .Net environment. Vista FX can be used with a total station to add accurate positioning information. With the addition of its Smart Roads module, the software provides animations to recreate incidents, which may be used in reports and court room proceedings. Visual Statement's enterprise software, ReportBeam, links state agencies via the Internet to one report management system making information easily accessible to multiple organizations.

The Visual Statement acquisition complements Trimble's subsidiary, Advanced Public Safety (APS). APS software provides real-time information to police officers via in-vehicle computers and handheld mobile computing devices to improve safety, productivity and accuracy. In addition, APS offers a variety of software solutions for fire and rescue personnel to complete inspection and emergency medical reports as well as mapping and Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) applications. The combination of APS and Visual Statement will provide a comprehensive suite of solutions to offer public safety agencies throughout the Americas.

"Visual Statement is a leader in developing innovative software-based solutions specifically designed for the public safety industry. The company has demonstrated profitable revenue growth and has built a strong market position worldwide," said Mark Harrington, vice president of strategy and business development for Trimble. "The Visual Statement acquisition expands our position in the public safety market and supports our long-term strategy of offering innovative solutions for mobile workers."

"The staff of Visual Statement is very excited to join Trimble's growing public safety business," said Mike Kennedy, president of Visual Statement, Inc. "By combining our software with APS's products, we can offer the law enforcement community a highly advanced, comprehensive solution for its investigative, reporting, and analytic requirements."

About Visual Statement

VS Visual Statement started from innovative concepts in Kamloops, B.C. in 1999. The company grew rapidly by providing a widely accepted incident scene diagramming solution in 2000, followed by an innovative crash reporting application in 2002. More than 4,000 police departments across North America use VS products. VS products have gained popularity abroad as well, with the release of its Spanish language version in 2005.

About Trimble

Trimble is a leading innovator of Global Positioning System (GPS) technology. In addition to providing advanced GPS components, Trimble augments GPS with other positioning technologies as well as wireless communications and software to create complete customer solutions. Trimble's worldwide presence and unique capabilities position the Company for growth in emerging applications including surveying, agriculture, machine guidance, fleet and asset management, wireless platforms, and telecommunications infrastructure. Founded in 1978 and headquartered in Sunnyvale, Calif., Trimble has more than 2,400 employees in more than 18 countries worldwide.

For an interactive look at company news and products, visit Trimble's Web site at <http://www.trimble.com>.

Certain statements made in this news release are forward looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. This press release contains forward-looking statements that include risks and uncertainties such as the expected financial performance of Visual Statement, Inc., as well as Trimble's ability to offer integrated solutions in the future. Additional risks and uncertainties include the risks inherent in acquiring and integrating a

company, unanticipated expenditures and changing relationships with customers. Among other things, economic trends and additional competitive issues may have an adverse effect on the success of the proposed acquisition. These and other risks are detailed from time to time in reports filed with the SEC, including Trimble's quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and its annual report on Form 10-K.

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