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Universal Security Receives Veteran Institute for Procurement Certification

Company Aims to Expand its Presence in the Government Marketplace

Rockville, Md.—October 20, 2011—Today, Universal Security (Universal) completed the Veteran Institute Procurement (VIP), a comprehensive training and certification program that helps veteran-owned businesses strengthen their ability to win government contracts and do business with both military and civilian agencies they once served in uniform.

Universal was one of 45 businesses from 17 states to graduate from the National Center for the Veteran Institute for Procurement at the Bolger Center. At the conclusion of the training, a congressional citation from Congressman Chris Von Holland was presented to Universal's owner Dwayne Hill.

"Completing the VIP program is a crucial first step to Universal's growth plan," said Hill. "We have a solid track record in delivery protection and logistics services abroad and are positioning ourselves to expand our domestic business relationships."

A Veteran and Minority-owned business, Universal has supported clients in worn-torn Iraq providing security, life support, and logistical services for U.S. government agencies, foreign governments and multi-national corporations. The company has successfully conducted more than 1400 security missions throughout Iraq, oversaw the transport of client assets and supplies within Iraq and across the borders into Jordan, Turkey, and Kuwait, and has provided in-country training for more than 1,000 security personnel.

"We are poised to grow our presence significantly in the U.S.," Hill added. "The VIP procurement certification is a vehicle that will help us access government contracting opportunities and ensure government buyers that we are prepared and capable of delivering excellent service."

VIP is a three-day, 27-hour comprehensive certification program established by the Montgomery County Chamber Community Foundation (MCCCF). Professional service experts who present best business practices instruct the courses. The curriculum focuses on topics tailored to the federal contracting space: strategic planning; legal, contracting and teaming agreements; accounting and financial compliance; marketing, capture, and proposals; risk management, operations and quality assurance; and insurance and human resources.

Participants are C-level leaders in Veteran-owned businesses operating for at least two years with a minimum of three full time employees, annual revenues less than \$25 million, and experience working on government contracts as a prime and/or sub-contractor.

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"VIP provides training to veteran-owned business leaders who are looking to position themselves for greater success in the fast-growing marketplace of government contracting," said Barbara Ashe, president, Montgomery County Chamber Community Foundation. "By helping entrepreneur-minded veterans succeed as government contractors, we are not only supporting men and women who have served our nation, but also the veterans they hire, the citizens they serve, the government agencies and prime contractors they support, and the overall economy."

About Universal Security

Universal Security is a full service protection and logistics firm that services the United States and foreign markets. Established in March 2004, by the late retired U.S. Army Ranger Nathaniel Hill, Universal offers a broad range of services, including physical protection, surveillance, investigation, armored transport, and bodyguard services.

Universal is a Veteran and Minority-owned firm headquartered in Rockville, Md., located in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area. The company is registered in Florida and Maryland. We are licensed, insured and bonded in the state of Maryland.

Learn more about Universal Security at www.universasecurityllc.com.

For information on the Veteran Institute Procurement (VIP), please visit www.NationalVip.org.