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The Department of Defense Military Health Services chooses Persona by Esker for secure application access

Solution will provide encrypted web access to central host systems and sensitive information

MADISON, Wis., 10 February 2003 – The United States Department of Defense Military Health Services (MHS) is implementing Persona by Esker Software to provide personnel at all MHS sites with secure web access to central information systems and applications.

As part of the contract agreement, and in compliance with recent federal legislation, Esker completed third-party certification of Persona security according to the Common Criteria Standard. With certification, awarded in January 2003, Persona becomes the MHS standard for remote access terminal emulation.

Critical factors in the selection of Persona were its precise emulation, browser-based deployment, and industry-leading security. Persona emulation will provide MHS users with access to host-based applications, including the Composite Health Care Systems (CHCS and CHCS II), used by military health facilities to maintain and manage patient records.

As a web-to-host solution, Persona allows users to access central systems from local and remote locations. MHS sites include military hospitals, clinics, and medical centers, as well as two Navy Medical ships, the USNS Mercy and the USNS Comfort.

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Security was critical in the selection of Persona because MHS personnel must access sensitive patient information both locally and remotely. Persona safeguards sensitive information with high-level encryption capabilities, including SSL, SSH, DES, and Triple DES.

“Using Persona, MHS personnel across the country and even at sea can access critical applications and up-to-the-minute patient information,” said Mike Wenzel, vice president of sales at Esker, “and do so with complete confidence that sensitive information is protected. Esker is honored to be able to meet the secure access needs of the Department of Defense Military Health Services.”

About Esker Software

Esker Software solutions connect people and information. Providing access to enterprise host systems and enabling delivery of business information from any enterprise source to any destination, Esker solutions include:

- ◆ Esker DeliveryWare Platform
- ◆ Esker Fax™, Esker VSI-FAX®, and Esker VSI-FAX for Notes
- ◆ Persona® by Esker, SmarTerm® by Esker, and Tun®Plus by Esker.

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