



IR Participates in Biometrics Security Demonstration At Salt Lake City International Airport

WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ, October 29, 2001 – As part of an effort to demonstrate how security technologies can be used to ensure the safety of our nation's airports, Ingersoll-Rand Company (NYSE: IR), participated Saturday, October 27, in a demonstration of biometrics technologies convened by Utah Congressman Jim Matheson at the Salt Lake City International Airport. "By sharing with others how biometrics technologies can be part of an integrated security system, we hope to demonstrate that major international events, such as the upcoming Winter Olympics – and travel to attend them – can be made more secure," said Martin Huddart, general manager of Recognition Systems Inc. (RSI), the biometrics division of Ingersoll-Rand's Security and Safety Sector. "Advanced biometric access control technologies can significantly help to enhance the security and safety of the nation's airports."

At the biometrics technology demonstration, Rep. Matheson and Salt Lake City Airport Director Tim Campbell demonstrated how IR's hand scanning biometrics systems, along with smart card technology, can be used to verify identity and enhance airport security. Using these advanced access control technologies, Rep. Matheson and Mr. Campbell were then tracked by a computer network as they cleared each security checkpoint in the airport.

IR's Recognition Systems Inc. (RSI) business unit is the world's leading provider of biometric solutions, with more than 60,000 of its innovative HandReaders installed in airports, government facilities, office buildings, and other critical installations across the globe.

IR is a leading provider of comprehensive, integrated security and safety solutions, including advanced biometric access control technology. IR's comprehensive access control solutions are used to secure some of the world's busiest airports. This includes San Francisco International Airport, where since 1991, over 30,000 airport employees have been using the hundreds of IR biometric HandReaders installed to protect access to the critical Air Operations Area. IR's biometric technology is also being used at Ben Gurion International Airport in Tel Aviv, Israel, to verify the identity of 50,000 passengers per month. IR HandReaders were also used to protect parts of the Olympic Village at the 1996 Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, GA.

In addition to its biometric HandReaders, IR's Security and Safety sector offers a broad selection of the industry's best known hardware products, innovative software systems, and advanced access control solutions, such as Schlage locks and electronic and key management systems, Von Duprin exit door hardware, Locknetics electronic locking systems, and Interflex networked access control, time and attendance, and personnel scheduling systems. These technologies and systems can play significant roles in addressing the security concerns of other critical installations, such as government buildings, hospitals, schools, power generation facilities and water treatment plants, and sports stadiums.

IR is a leading innovation and solutions provider for the major global markets of Security and Safety, Climate Control, Industrial Productivity and Infrastructure. The company's diverse product portfolio encompasses such leading industrial and commercial brands as Schlage locks and security solutions; Thermo King transport temperature control equipment; Hussmann commercial and retail refrigeration equipment; Bobcat compact equipment; Club Car golf cars and utility vehicles; Torrington bearings and components; PowerWorks microturbines; and Ingersoll-Rand industrial and construction equipment. In addition, IR offers products and services under many more premium brands for customers in industrial and Commercial Markets. Further information on IR can be found on the company's web site at www.irco.com.