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HID ANNOUNCES *iCLASS*[®] CONTACTLESS SMART CARD PROGRAMMER FOR ON-DEMAND CUSTOM PROGRAMMED CREDENTIALS

CP400 Card Programmer Offers the Ability to Instantly Deliver Access Control Cards with Increased Security Customization Options for End Users

IRVINE, Calif., September 16, 2004 – HID Corporation, the premier manufacturer of contactless access control cards and readers for the security industry, today announced availability of the *iCLASS* CP400 Contactless Smart Card Programmer. The latest addition to the company's *iCLASS* 13.56 MHz contactless smart card technology product line enables programming of security-based applications and card management functions. HID's distributors, OEMs, system integrators, and end users can now program access control data, personal identification number (PIN) codes, and custom keys for additional security. The ability to manage card customers, stock blank credentials and program them on-demand reduces end-user lead times and maximizes card management flexibility.

"Using the CP400 has given the students and faculty at the University an increased sense of security because we've programmed unique data on the access control card," said Dan Floyd, director of Shared Computing Services at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. "In addition, we've created efficiencies with card management because we can now distribute cards from start-to-finish which is extremely beneficial during the fall's busy enrollment period where we plan to distribute over 10,000 cards."

"The *iCLASS* CP400 gives our partners the ability to offer flexible and customizable value-added card options to their card holders," said Mark Scaparro, HID's executive vice president

of sales. "Anytime we can enable our partners to further develop their business offering and deliver products quickly, it ultimately benefits our end customers."

The **iCLASS** CP400 can program personal PIN codes directly on the access card for card reading with HID's **iCLASS** 13.56 MHz contactless RK40 reader with keypad and RWK40 reader/writer with keypad. It can program four, 16-character user data fields readable by the programmer and has the ability to create site-specific key codes and create reader configuration cards to program new authentication keys programmed into cards and readers.

The **iCLASS** CP400 comes complete with a desktop reader/writer, CD-ROM with programming software and documentation, graphical user interface (GUI), personalization diskette, universal power supply, and serial cable.

The **iCLASS** CP400 (Part Number 3150ANN00) is available now through HID's network of distributors, OEMs, and system integrators worldwide. Site licenses for the **iCLASS** CP400 are required and will be managed by HID Corporation.

Note to editors: Additional technical details and photos available upon request.

About HID Corporation

HID is the premier global supplier of contactless access control cards and readers for the security industry. With over 200 million credentials (cards, fobs and keys) in use worldwide, HID leads the industry in 13.56 MHz and 125 kHz RFID card and reader technology for a wide range of applications including access control, IT secure authentication, time and attendance, digital cash/cashless vending, automotive vehicle identification, and biometric verification. HID's award-winning product line includes **iCLASS**[®] 13.56 MHz contactless smart cards and readers, 125 kHz proximity, magnetic stripe, and Wiegand technology cards and readers. The company also provides specialized card manufacturing services including custom pre-printed graphics, micro printing and anti-counterfeiting elements, holograms or ultraviolet ink for increased card security. HID is headquartered in Irvine, California, with international offices supporting more than 100 countries. The company is part of the ASSA ABLOY Identification Technology Group. To learn more, please visit www.hidcorp.com.

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