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**RE: SAFETY ADVISORY on Defense Technology 7000 series Distraction Device®
Reloads and Bodies**

As a customer of Defense Technology, please be advised that there have been a few reports of separation incidents involving certain Defense Technology Distraction Device models. These few incidents represent a very small percentage of the Distraction Devices sold. Nonetheless, in response and out of an abundance of caution, Defense Technology has launched a technical evaluation into the root cause of the incidents, as well as identification of which production lots are affected.

The separation incidents include 3 separate modes:

- Separation of the fuze head from the body
- Separation of the body end cap
- Separation of the brass collar from the body

As information, the potentially affected Distraction Devices include the following part numbers:

- #7000 Multi-Port Plus Distraction Device Body
- #7001 15 Gram Reload
- #7001SC 15 Gram Reload with Safety Clip
- #7001CI Command Initiate Reload
- #7001NR #25 Tactical Non Reloadable Distraction Device
- #7001NRSC #25 Tactical Non Reloadable Distraction Device with Safety Clip

Pending our technical evaluation, effectively immediately, Defense Technology is holding shipments of current orders and has stopped taking new orders of the above-identified part numbers.

Please be aware that there have been no reported injuries as a result of the incidents. Regardless, the safety of our law enforcement officers is of the utmost importance to Defense Technology. As a precaution, we are taking this action and issuing this safety notice. Updates regarding our technical evaluation will be forthcoming by the end of January 2009. Rest assured that Defense Technology will implement appropriate remedial measures (e.g., repair, retrofit or recall) once we have completed our technical evaluation.

In addition to this letter, more information is available in the FAQ's, which are available through the BAE Products Group Territory Manager in your area, or through Customer Service. In the meantime, you may contact the undersigned if you have any questions regarding this safety notice.

Sincerely,

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