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**Aegis Industries Applauds Stricter Guidelines for CEW Product Testing and Measurement by Alberta Ministry of Public Safety**

Rockville, MD, August 7, 2009 – [Aegis Industries, LLC](http://www.aegisarmor.com), the emerging leader of professional security solutions, today applauded the stricter safety guidelines for Conducted Energy Weapons (CEWs) set forth by the Alberta Solicitor General and Minister of Public Safety. The report, [Provincial Guidelines for the Use of Conducted Energy Weapons](#), specifies that law enforcement agencies in Alberta must test and measure the electrical output of new CEWs before they are deployed in the field and annually thereafter.

“Alberta continues to take a leadership stance in promoting common sense policies for CEW usage,” said Kenneth J. Stethem, founder and CEO of Aegis Industries. “Aegis is in lockstep with these new guidelines, particularly with respect to standard CEW testing and measurement and, even more importantly, the autonomous oversight of the testing procedures. If testing and measurement are not conducted uniformly and independently, integrity is jeopardized, and public confidence and safety remain at risk. We respect the Ministry’s swift and decisive action on this important issue.”

Additionally, the [RCMP](#) in Alberta and British Columbia announced their support for the guidelines in the respective provinces, saying they are consistent with current RCMP policies and practices for CEW usage.

In British Columbia, the [Braidwood Commission Report](#) was recently issued with a series of specific guidelines to improve the safety of CEW usage including: increased thresholds for use, new deployment criteria, incident reporting, independent research and testing, additional training requirements, weapon certification, and compliance requirements. The full Braidwood report can be accessed at [www.braidwoodinquiry.ca](http://www.braidwoodinquiry.ca).

During Phase 1 of the Braidwood Inquiry in December 2008, Aegis presented to the Commission on the growing importance for clearer definition of appropriate use, better oversight of technology deployment and uniform policies for device testing and measurement.

**About Aegis Industries**

Headquartered in Rockville, MD, Aegis Industries is the emerging market leader in professional security solutions for the military, law enforcement, corrections, and private security markets worldwide. Aegis’ solutions include the [MK63 Trident](#), the industry’s first scalable Handheld Modular Multi-Stimulus Response Device (HMMRD). Aegis solutions allow operators to show up, react and resolve potentially dangerous scenarios in a safer and more effective manner than other intermediate force options. For more information, visit [www.aegisarmor.com](http://www.aegisarmor.com).

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