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Ortega InfoSystems selected to manage Port Authority of NY/NJ Transit Terminal video security system

World's busiest bus terminal chooses FacilitySm@rt for crucial installation

Fremont, CA, September 9, 2005 -- The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) has recently selected Ortega InfoSystems FacilitySm@rt video and alarm management software as the front-end solution to control the growing security system at PANYNJ Bus Terminal. With the increasing emphasis on video as a front-line weapon against terrorist attacks in transportation systems, Ortega's solution will allow Port Authority personnel to respond quickly and accurately to security events.

The world's busiest bus terminal in the heart of New York City, the Port Authority Bus Terminal is the region's primary ground transportation facility, and the largest bus terminal in the United States. Opened on December 15, 1950, the Bus Terminal is an integral part of the revitalized Times Square and theater district areas, and a vital connection for the region's workers, travelers and visitors. The terminal serves more than 200,000 passengers daily on 7200 buses. Since opening in 1950, over 3 billion passengers have passed through this facility.

Ortega is working with the Port Authority to develop and install a comprehensive video surveillance system for the terminal facilities, to be controlled through Ortega's Web-based GUI (graphical user interface). A crucial element of the security system is Ortega's powerful and highly intuitive navigation features that allow security personnel to quickly search and access relevant alarm and video information.

During the initial installation, Ortega's FacilitySm@rt software will manage stationary and PTZ dome cameras. The system will include Verint CCTVWare digital video recorders, all interconnected over the network. The system is highly configurable, incorporating a Secure Authorization System that allows the administrator to define different levels of user and group permissions, thereby controlling user access and control of maps, cameras, and events. Authorized users have visibility over all users accessing the system, and can easily modify video views and guard tours. The Integrated Alarm and Event Management subsystem provides security personnel with a single source of complete alarm information, shortening response time to events. Authorized users can take over and control PTZ camera operation when an emergency occurs.

The system is anticipated to be completed Fall, 2005.

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