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Dear Rapid ID Vendor:

In July 2008, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) posted the FALCON Interface Control Document (ICD) version 1.7 on the FALCON website and informed interested vendors of its availability. The ICD included section(s) outlining what was required to communicate with FDLE's Rapid ID (RID) Pilot system. Since that time, the ICD has changed and is now at version 2.41. The latest ICD is being distributed along with this memo. Any RID Edge Devices deployed after May 15, 2009 must be in compliance with ICD version 2.41 and vendors must certify these devices by following the process discussed below. Any RID Edge Devices deployed in the Pilot environment prior to this time will continue to function. Vendors will have until November 15, 2009 to bring their respective devices into compliance with ICD version 2.41 and certify these devices by following the process discussed below.

RID Edge Device certification will allow a vendor's customer to use their RID Edge Devices to communicate with the Rapid ID system at FDLE via the Florida Criminal Justice Network (CJNet). FDLE has published a certification process, available at http://www.falconichs.com, that outlines the requirements and processes for certification. This process must be followed by vendors wishing to have their devices deployed to interact with the FDLE RID system. Vendors are encouraged to review the RID ICD and the certification process carefully and ensure that they have met all the necessary criteria for certification prior to beginning the certification process.

On June 1, 2009, FDLE will begin certifying RID Edge Devices, as outlined in the published certification process documentation. As of that date, only certified Rapid ID Edge Device hardware and software combinations will be allowed to connect to and register with the Rapid ID system. As stated above, vendors whose RID Edge Devices were deployed in the Pilot environment must certify their respective device hardware and software combinations by November 15, 2009. RID Edge Devices, for the interests of this memorandum, are considered to be the combination of hardware and software allowing the Edge Device to function with FDLE's RID system.

All Criminal Justice agencies will be notified of the above certification and compliance requirements, and will be instructed that any procurement of RID Edge Devices from any vendor must ensure that they meet these criteria. A list of certified vendors' hardware and software combinations will be published at <u>http://www.falconichs.com</u>.

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