



Trade Press Release

Force Protection and CAE Partner to Offer Solution for Canada's Wheeled Combat Vehicle Requirement

- Teaming to Pursue Tactical Armoured Patrol Vehicle (TAPV) Project

LADSON, S.C. USA and MONTREAL, Canada – May 9, 2011 – Force Protection Industries, Inc., a FORCE PROTECTION, INC. (NASDAQ:FRPT) group company, and CAE (TSX: CAE, NYSE: CAE) today announced the companies have entered into a teaming agreement to compete for the Canadian Forces Tactical Armoured Patrol Vehicle (TAPV) project.

Force Protection Industries, Inc. previously announced that it has been selected by the Canadian Government as one of the competitor companies qualified to provide up to 600 wheeled combat vehicles and related long term support services. The Canadian Department of National Defence (DND) expects to award a contract to the final selected bidder by early 2012.

Randy Hutcherson, Chief Operating Officer of Force Protection, said, "We are pleased to partner with CAE, a global leader and one of Canada's most respected companies, to provide what we believe is the optimal solution for the TAPV project. Force Protection and CAE are committed to offering the Canadian Forces the safest and most reliable vehicle and to provide Industrial and Regional Benefits (IRB) that will contribute to the continuing viability of Canadian companies' capability and improve their competitiveness in both the domestic and international markets while continuing to strongly invest in the Canadian industry. We are looking forward to working with CAE as they have a wide range of capabilities and in-service support experience that will help us shape a winning technical, support, and industrial and regional benefit solution for the Canadian government."

Force Protection is offering the Canadian Forces variants of the Cougar wheeled combat vehicles to meet TAPV requirements. As the main Canadian partner, CAE would have overall responsibility for the comprehensive in-service support (ISS) solution, including: vehicle operator and mission training systems; engineering information environment; fleet management services; systems engineering support; and, lifecycle and integrated logistics support services. CAE would also be responsible for assembling a pan-Canadian team of companies to develop and support any country-specific requirements for Canada's replacement fleet of tactical armoured patrol vehicles.

"We look forward to partnering with Force Protection to develop a comprehensive in-service support solution for Canada's TAPV program," said Martin Gagne, CAE's Group President, Military Products, Training and Services. "We have a wealth of experience in comprehensive in-service support solutions, as we have demonstrated over many years for Canadian Forces air, land, and sea platforms. This partnership with Force Protection will produce a turnkey solution that is flexible, high-performing, cost-effective, and most importantly, supports our Canadian Forces in performing their missions safely."

About Force Protection, Inc.

Force Protection, Inc. is a leading designer, developer and manufacturer of survivability solutions, including blast- and ballistic-protected wheeled vehicles currently deployed by the U.S. military and its allies to support armed forces and security personnel in conflict zones. The Company's specialty vehicles, including the Buffalo, Cougar, Ocelot and related variants, are designed specifically for reconnaissance and urban operations and to protect their occupants from landmines, hostile fire, and improvised explosive devices (commonly referred to as roadside bombs). Complementing these efforts, the Company is designing, developing and marketing the JAMMA, a new vehicle platform that provides increased modularity, transportability, speed and mobility. The Company also develops, manufactures, tests, delivers and supports products and services aimed at further enhancing the survivability of users against additional threats. In addition, the Company provides long-term life cycle support services of its vehicles that involve development of technical data packages, supply of spares, field and depot maintenance activities, assignment of skilled field service representatives, and advanced driver and maintenance training programs. For more information on Force Protection and its products and services, visit www.forceprotection.net.

About CAE

CAE is a world leader in providing simulation and modelling technologies for the civil aviation industry and defence forces around the globe. With annual revenues exceeding C\$1.5 billion, CAE employs more than 7,500 people at more than 100 sites and training locations in more than 20 countries. We have the largest installed base of civil and military full-flight simulators and training devices. Through our global network of 32 civil aviation, military and helicopter training centres, we train more than 80,000 crewmembers yearly. We offer comprehensive in-service support solutions to the air, land and sea domains, modelling and simulation software to various market segments and, through CAE's professional services division, we assist clients in applying simulation to analysis, training and operations. www.cae.com

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