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## Wackenhut Charts New Strategic Direction for Nuclear Services Division

**Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., Oct 23, 2007** – The Wackenhut Corporation, the leading security services provider, announced today a new strategic direction for its nuclear services division following an in-depth assessment that was initiated approximately 10 months ago with the change in executive leadership. This assessment involved a detailed look at industry requirements and its current service delivery model.

“We have witnessed and experienced a growing gap between the needs of the nuclear industry and the delivery of contract security services – both those we provide and those of our competitors,” said Eric Wilson, President of Wackenhut Nuclear Services. “Our business has unfortunately evolved into a staff-augmentation model which, based upon our new assessment, can no longer adequately support the delivery of world-class security solutions as expected by today’s nuclear plant executives and regulators.”

Wackenhut’s assessment confirms that although minimum regulatory requirements were always met, prior to 9/11 oversight groups did not always hold plant security to full nuclear model standards. In the pre 9/11 world, security programs were viewed as ancillary and “compliance based;” the security workforce represented a relatively small proportion of station staffing; and, security providers were not well aligned with Operations, Maintenance, Engineering and other station functions. All of this changed following 9/11. Today, security service providers must manage to higher standards and are subject to ever-growing regulatory requirements (e.g., Interim Compensatory Measures (ICM), Access Authorization (AA) Orders, a new Fatigue Rule, a new Design Basis Threat (DBT), Security Plan revisions, etc.). Today’s security workforce represents a much larger share of station staffing and to be effective must be closely aligned with station operations.

“Our conclusion,” says Wilson “was that we needed to fundamentally re-think our business model to respond to our customer’s evolving needs. As a result, we will be moving from a traditional “cost plus” business model to one focused on the provision of security solutions under a Strategic Alliance model similar to that adopted by leading Nuclear Steam Supply System (NSSS) suppliers.

Key components of Wackenhut’s new strategic direction for its nuclear services include:

- An uncompromised commitment to quality and to leadership in the regulated security industry
- Mutual planning, shared responsibilities, and a full recognition and reconciliation of costs and service trade-offs
- Emphasis on a ‘continuous quality improvement culture’ through professional training and leadership development
- Promotion of a single nuclear industry culture with our customers
- Improved integration of security operations with key station operating functions (e.g., operations, maintenance, engineering, etc.)
- Clear accountability for results and the establishment of outcome-based performance measures

Wackenhut Nuclear Services (WNS) will be renamed, Regulated Security Solutions (RSS), to represent this new strategic direction. “We knew we had to take this new strategic direction several months ago when the results of our industry assessment were first evaluated. The recent incident of inattentiveness at Peach Bottom as well as impending rule changes by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) only confirm that this is the right course of action,” said Wilson.

“For us, this is a question of leadership. The commercial nuclear power industry and the public at large expect and deserve the highest level of security. In order to respond and deliver in today’s new environment, we must provide solutions that are sustainable and service that is geared toward achieving optimum outcomes,” Wilson said. He added, “Our new model will ensure that our customers are able to focus their full attention on power generation while we focus on our core competency which is the delivery of world-class security solutions. In the end, we believe that the Strategic Alliance Model will prove to be the most effective and least costly alternative for our customers.”

### **About the Wackenhut Corporation**

The Wackenhut Corporation is the leading provider of security and security-related services in the U.S. With operations across the country, Wackenhut has the expertise and the resources to meet its customers’ requirements for quality security, training, consulting and investigative services. Wackenhut is the employer of choice to more than 38,000 men and women, many of whom have proudly served in the military or have had law enforcement careers. Additional information about Wackenhut is available on its Web site at [www.wackenhut.com](http://www.wackenhut.com).

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