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HESCO BASTION WINS PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Washington, DC, August 19, 2008— Hesco Bastion Limited, the manufacturer of patented Concertainer[®] units used in military force protection, homeland security and flood protection, announced today that a U.S. federal court has issued a consent order and judgment, favorably resolving a case the company brought against Akar Logistics, LLC, a company in Owings Mills, Maryland.

Hesco sued Akar in May 2008 in U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, alleging that Akar infringed two of Hesco's patents and three of its trademarks and were improperly using its name on Akar's website.

As part of the consent order, U.S. District Judge Benson E. Legg enjoined Akar from infringing any of Hesco's patents and trademarks. Akar agreed to remove any reference to "Hesco" and "Hesco Bastion" from its advertising, marketing materials, and website. Akar also paid Hesco's legal fees. Hesco and Akar mutually agreed to the terms of the settlement and the court entered the consent order on August 8, 2008.

"We are very pleased to have quickly settled the case with Akar," said Tim Bamford, Hesco's lead attorney in the United Kingdom. "We hope that this serves as a reminder that Hesco will vigorously enforce its intellectual property rights."

Hesco was represented by Richard J. Oparil, Scott A.M. Chambers, Ph.D., and Kevin M. Bell of Patton Boggs LLP.

Hesco's patented Concertainer units have become the most popular means within the military of protecting personnel and facilities against secondary fragmentation, saving countless lives and mission critical assets.

The units have been used by military forces including the U.S. Army, Marine Corps. and Air Force, NATO and the United Nations in major conflict areas, including in Afghanistan and Iraq. The Concertainer units were recently used for flood protection in the Midwest.

Hesco barriers have been credited with saving dozens of lives in the July 7th bomb blast at the Indian Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan.

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