



Contact:

Georgia H. Whalen <u>gwhalen@LEIDProducts.com</u> (978) 697-2664

North Andover Police Choose LEID Products to Ensure Evidence Safety
North Andover Police Department to Implement LEID's Evidence System in New Station

Auburn Hills, MI – March 14, 2012 – LEID Products, LLC., the leader of electronic locker and cabinet storage with biometric asset protection and control, today announced the North Andover Police Department in Massachusetts will be implementing their new BACS Evidence Management system including LEID's Electronic Evidence Lockers and BACS Evidence Management ID Station Kiosk. The department will use the BACS evidence system to access and track all evidence moving into and out of the property room.



"The North Andover Police Department is looking forward to the installation of the LEID Products biometric evidence system for our new police headquarters," said Chief of Police, Paul J. Gallagher.

"Evidence control must be strictly adhered to and chain of custody is a major factor in courtroom presentation. The system will allow our police and evidence officers to maintain detailed documentation and avoid defense motions."

Property and Evidence control and tracking is a monumental concern for law enforcement. Introduced at the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Conference in October of 2011, the BACS Evidence Management system is designed to help departments meet standards required by CALEA®, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, as outlined in Chapter 84 "Property and Evidence Control". Evidence 'chain of custody' is electronically tracked and accounted for with the BACS Evidence Management system, limiting liability and consequences of exposure to human error.

The BACS Evidence Management ID Station Kiosk houses a biometric ID reader for access verification and the touch screen user navigation. The ID Station is also interfaced to LEID's Electronic Evidence Lockers providing the secure temporary storage of evidence incoming and outgoing from police department property rooms. The system includes complete chain of custody custom software tracking and reporting capabilities to monitor all evidence transfers. Property room managers also have remote management capabilities to access, monitor and manage the system while off site. Additional layers of security can be added with options including: hand geometry scanner, ID card reader, RFID evidence reader, and evidence barcode reader.



"North Andover Police Department has been instrumental in formulating the blueprint in terms of needed requirements in the development of LEID Products new state-of-the-art evidence management system," said Sam Hoff, president of LEID Products. "The process began over two years ago while the department was in the final phase of planning for their new station. Chief Gallagher has graciously agreed to allow us to invite fellow police chiefs to visit their building, if they wish to see the system once installed."

North Andover Police Department is among a select group of accredited police departments in Massachusetts, recognized for their commitment to continually strive to increase department efficiency





and accountability to minimize exposure to liability and to enhance public reputation. In May of 2010, North Andover Police Department became the 29<sup>th</sup> out of roughly 350 police departments to earn the highly-regarded accreditation from the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission.

BACS systems – developed for LEID Products by Patti Engineering (<a href="www.pattieng.com">www.pattieng.com</a>) – have been used to secure, track critical assets for a wide range of customers. While new to the property room application, BACS has been a proven asset management system used in law enforcement departments throughout the country to securely store and track weapons and valuable equipment allowing for full accountability of armory assets. LEID Products recently announced <a href="weepvectors.version-2.0">version 2.0</a> of the BACS ID Station <a href="Kiosk">Kiosk</a>, which includes enhancements to its sleek tamper proof construction and larger kiosk screen for additional security and functionality.

## Resources:

- Electronic Evidence Lockers
- BACS Evidence Management ID Station Kiosk
- LEID Products, LLC
- LEID Blog
- LEID on Facebook
- LEID on Twitter

## **About LEID Products:**

Law Enforcement Intelligent Devices (LEID), LLC is the leader of electronic locker and cabinet storage with biometric asset protection and control. Originally founded to assist police departments in securing guns, weapons, radios, etc. through an electronic tracking and fingerprinting system, LEID products are also utilized to track books within a library system, medical supplies, laptops and even business documents to selected personnel. Their Biometric Access Control Systems (BACS™) streamlines operations and provides full accountability for critical business assets. For more information and demonstrations of our products, visit www.leidproducts.com.