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BACnet International Testing Laboratory ISO Accreditation Reaffirmed

Atlanta, GA (PRWeb) – July 17, 2012 – The BACnet Testing Laboratories (BTL) operated by SoftDEL Ltd. has had accreditation to ISO 17025 reaffirmed. This reaffirmation includes an assessment of the laboratory’s compliance with the A2LA Information Technology Program Requirements.

ISO 17025 is the international standard by which a laboratory’s commitment to quality is evaluated. SoftDEL Ltd. achieved this accreditation in 2010 by demonstrating technical competence for product compliance testing with the BACnet building automation protocol, and for the operation and effectiveness of its laboratory. ISO 17025 not only considers management and technical expertise, but also emphasizes continual product and process improvement.

Duffy O’Craven, BTL Manager stated “As the number of ISO 17025 facilities for testing BACnet increases, we are excited in the coming year to be participating in a Round-robin test with the other labs. This ensures every lab’s proficiency and that comparable results are obtained in a strictly controlled and carefully evaluated test by all labs upon the same device.”

“Reaffirming of the ISO accreditation reinforces BACnet International’s commitment to provide users and suppliers with the best possible conformance and interoperability testing for BACnet devices,” noted Andy McMillan, President of BACnet International and President of Philips Teletrol.

The BTL has been providing conformance testing for BACnet-based products for nearly 12 years. More information about BTL is located here [<http://www.bacnetinternational.org/associations/8066/btl/?page=36>]. Companies interested in enjoying the benefits of BACnet International membership, including having their products tested in the BTL, can get more information here [<http://www.bacnetinternational.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=9>].



About BTL®

The BACnet Testing Laboratories working group was formed by BACnet International to oversee the BACnet conformance certification and listing program. The working group is comprised of members of BACnet International and BIG-EU whose goals are to promote and maintain the BACnet and BTL trademarks. The BACnet Testing Laboratories Working Group provides oversight and guidance to the BACnet Testing Laboratories (BTL) and is responsible for the technical aspects of BACnet International's testing and listing activities, the central goal of which is to improve BACnet interoperability between building automation products.

About BACnet® International

BACnet International is an industry association that facilitates the successful use of the BACnet protocol in building automation and control systems through interoperability testing, educational programs and promotional activities. The BACnet standard was developed by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) and has been made publicly available so that manufacturers can create interoperable systems of products. BACnet International complements the work of the ASHRAE standards committee and BACnet-related interest groups around the world. BACnet International members include building owners, consulting engineers and facility managers, as well as companies involved in the design, manufacturing, installation, commissioning and maintenance of control equipment that uses BACnet for communication. For more information, please visit www.bacnetinternational.org.

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