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TVI Corporation Receives \$230,000 Order from the Singapore Civil Defense Force

*Third Order for SafetyTech's Powered Air Purifying Respirators
Placed by the SCDF During Past Three Years*

GLENN DALE, MD – March 1, 2006 – TVI Corporation (NASDAQ: TVIN), a global supplier of rapidly deployable first responder systems for homeland security, hospitals, the military, police and fire departments, and public health agencies, today announced it has received a \$230,000 order for SafetyTech's Powered Air Purifying Respirators (PAPRs) from the Singapore Civil Defense Force (SCDF). TVI acquired privately held SafetyTech International, Inc. in November 2005.

PAPRs are designed to support the military, first responders and anyone facing respiratory threats. They provide more comprehensive protection than standard gas masks as a constant flow of purified air passes through filter cartridges. SafetyTech's advanced line of PAPRs meet the latest proposed Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) standards.

"This country-wide, direct order from the SCDF illustrates SafetyTech's superb reputation in the global first responder marketplace," said President and Chief Executive Officer of TVI Corporation, Richard V. Priddy. "SafetyTech ideally complements TVI's existing customer base by providing additional strength in the first responder and military markets. Another strategic benefit of acquiring SafetyTech was to increase TVI's recurring revenue stream as PAPRs require filter replacements on an ongoing basis."

Priddy continued, "The SCDF order also is representative of the type of repeat business that SafetyTech's products can generate. This is the third significant order by the SCDF in the past three years. Going forward, we will continue to

leverage SafetyTech's existing customer base and distribution network for additional business, as well as opportunities to cross sell TVI's expansive array of first responder product offerings."

The Singapore Civil Defense Force is Singapore's uniformed government agency in charge of providing emergency services during peacetime and national emergency. It provides basic ambulance and fire fighting services and also is equipped for disaster relief operations, similar to the role of the National Guard in the United States.

About TVI Corporation

TVI Corporation, located in Glenn Dale, Maryland, is a global supplier of rapidly deployable first responder systems for homeland security, hospitals, the military, police and fire departments and public health agencies. The Company designs, fabricates and markets products and systems both through distributors and directly to end-users and OEMs. These systems include chemical and biological decontamination systems, infection control systems, and powered air respirator systems for individuals. The Company's core systems are fabric shelter structures, which employ the Company's proprietary articulating frame. The Company also sells a line of thermal products, which includes targets, IFF (Identification Friend or Foe) devices, beacons and markers, and decoys.

During the past several years, TVI's product line has expanded to include Chem/Bio Isolation systems for hospitals and first responders, trailerized first responder products, crime scene investigation systems for police, and mobile hospitals. TVI's products, and others of their kind, represent integral components of a standard decontamination process.

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