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TVI Corporation Receives \$2.0 Million Contract from U.S. Army for C2A1 Filter Canisters

*First Order for Company's Filter Canister Line;
Creates Opportunities for Future Military Contracts*

GLENN DALE, MD – October 31, 2006 – TVI Corporation (NASDAQ: TVIN), a global supplier of rapidly deployable first receiver and first responder systems for homeland security, hospitals, the military, police and fire departments, and public health agencies, today announced it has received an order valued at approximately \$2.0 million from the U.S. Army TACOM Life Cycle Management Command for TVI's C2A1 filter canisters, subject to first article approval. The contract is TVI's first military order for its filter canister manufacturing facility, located at its Glenn Dale, Maryland headquarters.

“Winning this contract from the U.S. Army is a milestone achievement for TVI,” said TVI Corporation's President and Chief Executive Officer, Richard V. Priddy. “We view this contract as an important steppingstone with the U.S. military as it qualifies us to apply for additional contracts that are significantly larger in the years ahead. Prior year filter canister awards have averaged more than one million canisters annually. Although there is no guarantee of TVI being awarded future contracts, these canisters are a necessary component in military respirators that filter chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear agents, inorganic particulates, and toxic gases.”

“With this order, we are beginning to realize the promise of our world-class facility,” Priddy said. “While the approval process on both the military and commercial sides has been long, the plant closely aligns with our long-term strategy to further diversify our product offerings and deepen our relationship with the military. In addition, due to the consumable nature of the filter canister, it meets our objective of greatly expanding our recurring revenue stream.”

“TVI continues to make progress on the commercial approval front,” Priddy continued. “We recently received NIOSH approval to incorporate our filter canister into one of our own PAPR designs. We are pursuing NIOSH approval for a number of additional commercial applications in an effort to begin sales to OEMs, several of whom have indicated an intent to purchase filter canisters once approval is received. In addition, we have submitted for various European approvals, and believe this C2A1 award establishes TVI’s credibility both in the U.S. and abroad regarding its filter canister capabilities.”

TVI’s filter canister facility is a cost-efficient, fully-automated production line capable of supplying a wide variety of canisters. The operation was designed to produce a variety of canister types at high volumes, while providing surge capacity in the event of a major chemical attack, biological outbreak, or terrorist attack.

About TVI Corporation

TVI Corporation, located in Glenn Dale, Maryland, is a global supplier of rapidly deployable first receiver and 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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www.tvicorp.com. This reference to the TVI website is an active textual reference and the contents of the site are not part of this press release.

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