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Access Controls International Acquires Huntsville, Alabama Manufacturer of Access Control Products

August 25, 2000 – Freehold, New Jersey – Access Controls International announces that it has acquired ABR, Inc., a leading developer and manufacturer of Touch Access Controllers, Readers and Software. Terms of the agreement have not been disclosed.

Worldwide demand for electronic access control and integrated security systems has increased rapidly over the last several years and will continue to do so for years to come. The acquisition of ABR will allow ACI to achieve greater synergies and vertically integrate its access control manufacturing process. Production of ABR's products will be relocated to ACI's Freehold, New Jersey operations facility.

"We are excited about being able to enhance our manufacturing efficiency and be able to pass along savings to our customers", said Paul Grossman, President and CEO of ACI. "The addition of ABR's product line strengthens our broad range of security products and will help advance our leadership in access control technology to our customers worldwide."

About Access Controls International

Access Controls International has been a leader and pioneer in security systems technology for nearly four decades. We design, manufacture and support the entire spectrum of security and safety systems from stand-alone security devices to remote multi-complex monitoring systems.

ACI specializes in security providing a full range of stand-alone and PC based access control systems along with a wide selection of magnetic locks and electric strikes. ACI's product line includes a complete array of CCTV video security systems and components, electronic alarms, motorized gates and doors, telephone entry and intercom systems and intrusion and safety protection devices for parking lots, rooftops, stairwell landings and boiler rooms.

Thousands of ECS Access Control and other security systems have been installed in industrial complexes, corporate office buildings and high rise multiple dwellings with nearly 250,000 individual users worldwide.

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