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**NLECTC-COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
ANNOUNCES NEW CENTER DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR**

Rick Mulvihill and Carrie Supko to assume new posts, effective October 1, 2008

CAMDEN, NJ, October 1, 2008 – Richard F. Mulvihill has been named the new Center Director of the NLECTC-Communications Technologies Center of Excellence (COE), a program funded by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' National Institute of Justice (NIJ) and administered by Drakontas LLC that provides support for NIJ's RDT&E activities within the Communications Technologies portfolio and related areas by: identifying technology requirements, supporting NIJ's research and development programs; testing, evaluating and demonstrating technologies; supporting the adoption of new technology; developing technology guidelines; and providing specialized technology assistance and support to State and local criminal justice agencies on a national basis. Carrie E. Supko, who currently serves as Chief of Staff, will replace Mr. Mulvihill as Deputy Director. Both changes will take effect on October 1, 2008.

Mr. Mulvihill, who previously served as Department Head of Public Safety for Atlantic County, NJ and brings with him over 34 years' of experience in Law Enforcement and Corrections, including serving as the Chief of Police in Absecon, NJ, will take over for Dr. Brian Regli, who will assume the position of Senior Policy Advisor. As Center Director, Mr. Mulvihill will manage a staff of six and will oversee various pilot projects currently underway focused on assisting state and local law enforcement with their communications technology needs. In addition, he will be the liaison between the Communications Technologies COE and the other NLECTC Regional Centers, NLECTC Centers of Excellence, as well as the NIJ and its partners.

Ms. Supko previously worked with the NIJ CommTech Program, where she served as the Outreach, Technology Assistance, and Pilot Program Manger. Her experience and areas of expertise include: Criminal Justice project management; grants management; criminal justice and emergency response research, development, testing, and evaluation; implementation and management of pilot projects; public safety outreach and technology assistance; and first responder communications systems. As Deputy Director, Ms. Supko will manage several pilot projects and will provide support to the Center Director.

"Rick and Carrie both have done an outstanding job over the past year, and their promotions are merely a reflection of and a testament to their commitment and dedication to the COE and the broader criminal justice community," said Dr. Regli. "The COE and the NLECTC System are fortunate to have their collective experience and talents."

About the NLECTC-Communications Technologies Center of Excellence

The National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center (NLECTC) Communications Technologies Center of Excellence (COE), established in October 2007, is a program of the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' National Institute of Justice. The COE is administered by Drakontas LLC, whose mission is to develop, evaluate and promote interoperable communications solutions that improve the safety and operational efficiency of those who protect and serve our communities.

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