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CANON EARN NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY’S (NSA) HIGHEST INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY TESTING CERTIFICATION RANKING FOR MFPs

Canon imageRUNNER MFP Products Validated at EAL 3 in Accordance with the National Information Assurance Partnership (NIAP) Common Criteria Evaluation

LAKE SUCCESS, NY, August 9, 2004 – Canon U.S.A. Inc., the nation’s market share brand leader in black-and-white and color laser copier/printer solutions, today announced that the Canon imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series Software Version iR2200N-USen50.06 with Security Kit B1 has been evaluated and validated in accordance with the provisions of the United States National Information Assurance Partnership (NIAP) to earn the Common Criteria Certificate: Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL) 3 for conformance to the Common Criteria for IT Security Evaluation (ISO Standard 15408).

The certification is posted on the NIAP Validated Products List at http://www.niap.nist.gov/cc-scheme/st/ST_VID1010.html.

The EAL 3 is the highest U.S. Common Criteria ranking presented to date for a multifunction product and conforms to National Security Agency (NSA) recommended methods of managing classified documents and securing sensitive information. Canon was officially presented the Common Criteria certificate at the GOVSEC Conference in Washington D.C. on July 29, 2004.

“Earning a U.S. NIAP EAL 3 designation is a true accomplishment for Canon, and is of significant importance to our customer base,” said Dennis Amorosano, director and general manager, Imaging Systems Group, Canon U.S.A. “The integration of networked, multifunctional devices has revolutionized the document management process across corporate environments – bringing with it greater efficiencies and effectiveness, but also increased security challenges. NIAP’s recognition of Canon’s ability to safeguard valuable information – both internally and externally – puts Canon’s imageRUNNER devices in the unique position of simultaneously delivering U.S. work environments the highest quality MFP solutions with the highest level of security a copier can offer.”

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The Common Criteria Program is the emerging global standard for information technology security evaluations. ISO 15408 Common Criteria Certification is a recognized worldwide standard that defines security requirements and establishes procedures for evaluating information technology (IT) security. The criteria certification assists in compliance with such U.S. regulatory acts, such as the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLB) for financial privacy, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and Family Education Rights Privacy Act (FERPA) for student privacy, as well as assisting in compliance with DOD Directives 8500.1 and 8500.2.

Completed in May 2004, the evaluation, performed under the Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme (CCEVS), is designed to demonstrate that the Canon imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series Software Version iR2200N-USen50.06 with Security Kit B1 Sensitive Data Protection product meets the EAL 3 security assurance requirements. Validators on behalf of the CCEVS Validation Body monitored the evaluation carried out by COACT, Inc., an NIST/NIAP authorized and accredited testing laboratory.

The U.S. EAL 3 certification criteria presented to the Canon imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series Software Version iR2200N-USen50.06 with Security Kit B1 Sensitive Data Protection product is based upon the implementation of the following security functions:

- **Complete Erase**: Eliminates residual information by overwriting the data memory space with either: NULL data once, random data once, or random data three times.

- **System Manager Logon**: The System Manager Logon feature ensures that only authorized System Managers can access the interface used to activate and deactivate the Complete Erase function. The System Manager credentials, a seven-digit password and a numeric user ID, are set using the System Manager Settings user interface. Once set, the credentials can only be changed by an authorized System Manager. The System Manager Logon feature is invoked before access to the Complete Erase feature settings is allowed. Entering invalid credentials results in a failed logon attempt and a redisplay of the logon screen after a one second delay.

- **Job Log Conceal Function**: The Job Log Conceal Function of the Security Kit B1 ensures that jobs processed through the device are not visible to a walk-up user or through the Remote UI. The information is not erased and is accessible by the administrator who can print a list of job data including copy/print/fax and/or scan usage on the device.

- **Security Management**: Once the System Manager successfully logs in to the administrative interface, the System Manager has the ability to activate or deactivate the Complete Erase functionality.

**Canon’s imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series**

Built upon Canon’s award winning, network oriented architecture, the imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series offer 22-, 28- and 33-page-per-minute speeds (respectively), with advanced copy, print, scan and fax features. Designed specifically for the needs of corporate and government workgroups, the imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series features exceptional image quality, network integration and elevated multi-tasking capabilities – allowing environments to manage hardcopy and digital information with increased efficiency.

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Each imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series device offers robust network scanning capability when used in conjunction with the optional Network Multi-PDL Printer Kit-C1, Canon Network ScanGear, and eCopy Inc. document distribution software. Each unit can be configured with an integrated eCopy ScanStation touch screen and PC, which allows users to receive an immediate visual preview of all scanned pages prior to sending the document to its destination. Users can securely scan and route documents to a number of destinations including their desktops, via e-mail, LAN Fax, or directly for printing. Documents such as contracts, invoices, sensitive legal documents, engineering documents, and artwork can easily be delivered with substantial savings in time and money compared to traditional fax, overnight courier, or interoffice mail services.

Every base imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series model comes equipped with a 5.1 GB Internal Image Server and 128 MB of RAM supporting Copy Reservation (up to 5 jobs) and Job Build functions, and a 100 confidential user Mail Box system in copy and print modes. With an optional embedded network print controller offering 10/100 Ethernet network connectivity and printing support, every imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series performs true multi-tasking through a robust combination of intuitive software drivers and control panel features. Print configured versions offer PCL5e, PCL6, and PostScript 3 emulation printing.

Energy Conservation and Environmental Design - Based on Canon's design concept that won the 2000 "Copier of the Future Award of Excellence" from the International Energy Agency (IEA) Demand Side Management program, the imageRUNNER 2200/2800/3300 Series models not only meet, but greatly exceed U.S. EPA ENERGY STAR qualification criteria. Canon's patented RAPID Fusing System dramatically reduces the energy consumed during warm-up and sleep modes to less than 25% that of conventional copiers. Also, each unit contains an ozone-free corona charger specifically designed to eliminate ozone emissions. The machines also have a lead-, halogen- and chrome-free design, which eliminates the release of these potentially harmful substances when the equipment is disposed or recycled. The imageRUNNER units are manufactured at ISO14001 certified facilities, accept 100% recycled paper, and are designed for recovery via uniform grade plastics, conscientious labeling, and easy disassembly.

About the National Information Assurance Partnership (NIAP)
The National Information Assurance Partnership is a U.S. Government initiative originated to meet the security testing needs of both information technology (IT) consumers and producers. NIAP represents a collaboration between the National Institute of Standards (NIST) and the National Security Agency (NSA) in fulfilling their respective responsibilities under PL 100-235 (Computer Security Act of 1987). The partnership combines the extensive IT security experience of both agencies to promote the development of technically sound security requirements for IT products and appropriate measures for evaluating those products and systems.

About Canon
Canon U.S.A., Inc. delivers consumer, business-to-business, and industrial imaging solutions. The Company is listed as one of Fortune's Most Admired Companies in America, and is ranked #39 on the Business Week list of "Top 100 Brands." Its parent company Canon Inc. (NYSE:CAJ) is a top patent-holder of technology, ranking second overall in the U.S. in 2003, with global revenues of $29.9 billion. For more information, visit www.usa.canon.com.

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2 Based on Letter sized paper.
3 The Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) currently supports modem speeds of 28.8 kbps or lower, depending on telephone line conditions. Sending and receiving fax machines need to conform to ITU-TV.34 guidelines.