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## Promark Technology Awarded U.S. Department of Homeland Security Blanket Purchase Agreement for Encrypted USB Flash Drives

Annapolis Junction, Md. – February 25, 2013 – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has awarded Promark Technology, Inc. a 3-year Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) for encrypted USB storage devices. Promark is a leading value-added distributor of storage solutions and is the authorized General Services Administration (GSA) contract holder. The DHS BPA provides a purchasing vehicle to DHS and its subcomponents, including:

- Transportation Security Administration
- Customs & Border Protection
- United States Secret Service
- U.S. Coast Guard
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Promark Technology's DHS BPA will exclusively offer encrypted USB Storage devices from Kanguru Solutions out of Millis, Massachusetts. The <u>Kanguru Defender Elite<sup>TM</sup></u> secure flash drive is <u>FIPS 140-2 Certified</u> and meets the stringent security requirements of the BPA. As part of the contract, the <u>Kanguru Remote Management Console<sup>TM</sup></u> (<u>KRMC</u>) will also be available for agencies intending to remotely manage, update, and track their fleet of secure devices.

DHS has a stated goal of protecting sensitive information from disclosure to unauthorized entities, and requires all government "data-in-transit" and "data-at-rest" to be protected by FIPS 140-2 certified cryptographic modules with hardware-based AES-256 encryption. As part of the <u>Secretary's Efficiency Review Program</u>, DHS established a department-wide BPA to acquire encrypted USB storage devices that meet these security goals.

The **Kanguru Defender Elite** is designed from the ground up to meet government and enterprise security requirements with plug-and-play ease of use. In addition to FIPS 140-2 Certification, and powerful hardware encryption, the drive features:

- Onboard Anti-Virus/Anti-Malware First Year Free
- Strong Password Enforcement Options
- Tamper-Resistance
- IP Range/Domain Restriction
- Customizable Serial Numbers and Engraving
- Cross-Platform Support (Windows, Mac, Linux)
- Remote Management Capabilities

With the addition of KRMC, administrators can manage a fleet of Kanguru Defender<sup>™</sup> devices from anywhere in the world. KRMC includes support for remote wipe and password management, as well as updating, tracking and auditing. This allows security policy standards to be maintained on all devices from a centralized location.

"Kanguru has focused for several years on developing best-of-breed, secure mobile data storage devices to meet or exceed the high standards of the Federal Government," says Don Brown, President/ CEO of Kanguru Solutions. "We are extremely proud of this award as an excellent vehicle for wide adoption."



To learn more about the Promark BPA and the Kanguru Defender Elite and Remote Management Solutions, please contact Promark Technology at 800.634.0255 or visit the <a href="Promark DHS BPA">Promark DHS BPA</a> website or <a href="mailto:dhs.kanguru.com">dhs.kanguru.com</a>. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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