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FLIR Systems Showcases Technologies for Security and Spectators at Marine Corps Marathon *Marathon will employ same security technology U.S. Marines currently use in Iraq and Afghanistan*

Quantico, VA (June 9, 2010) – The Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) announced today that sponsor FLIR Systems will be returning for the third year to support the race by providing the same electro-optic/infrared (EO/IR) systems that are fielded by the U.S. Marines and currently in use in Iraq and Afghanistan.

“In addition to providing support for *The People’s Marathon*, FLIR Systems is also excited to give the folks at the race, and the fans at home, a better idea of the extraordinary measures the USMC is taking to keep our Marines safe in a hostile environment,” said William A. Sundermeier, president, FLIR Government Systems

A number of sensors will be located throughout the course in order to provide MCM officials, as well as, representatives from seven supporting law enforcement agencies with the ability to see the course throughout the duration of the 26.2 mile event. Officials will be able to view the majority of the course on monitors located in a central command station that will be receiving a downlink feed from the various sensors. These sensors, mounted on positions around the city provides MCM organizers and local, state and federal authorities the ability to detect, identify and react to any situation in a quicker timeframe.

FLIR will record and video stream from multiple locations on the course for online viewing by spectators in real-time including, live footage of lead runners throughout the entire race course. More than 4,500 people logged on last year to view FLIR’s live video-feed of the MCM at www.flir.com/usmc.

“The FLIR Systems sponsorship is a perfect showcase for how the Marine Corps culture embraces the marathon experience for organizers and participants,” said Marc Goldman, Marine Corps Marathon Sponsorship/Marketing Manager.

A division of FLIR Systems, Inc., FLIR Government Systems is a world leader in the design, qualification, and manufacture of thermal imaging and stabilized EO/IR systems for a wide variety of airborne, maritime, land based and man-portable applications including intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR), combat search and rescue (CSAR), border control and drug interdiction, navigation safety, maritime patrol, force protection and facility security. FLIR Government Systems operates service and manufacturing facilities worldwide. Visit the company's web site at www.FLIR.com/gs.

Voted the best marathon for families, the Marine Corps Marathon honors the dedication, sportsmanship and patriotism of its participants. Runners from all walks of life participate in the largest marathon not to offer prize or money, earning the nickname as “The People’s Marathon.” The MCM is the fourth largest marathon in the United States and the eighth largest in the world. The 35th anniversary Marine Corps Marathon will be held on October 31, 2010, in Arlington, VA. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied.

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