



1ST DETECT'S TRACER 1000™ ACHIEVES MILESTONE IN TSA AIR CARGO SCREENING QUALIFICATION TEST

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Astrotech Corporation's (NASDAQ: ASTC) 1st Detect subsidiary announced today that the TRACER 1000™ passed the U.S. Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Air Cargo Screening Technology Qualification Test's (ACSQT) non-detection testing. In addition to non-detection testing, once the TRACER 1000 passes detection testing, it will be listed on the Air Cargo Screening Technology List (ACSTL) as an "approved" device and thereby approved for cargo sales in the United States.

"Passing the non-detection test is an important milestone towards being listed on the ACSTL as an approved explosives trace detector (ETD) device," stated Raj Mellacheruvu, Chief Executive Officer of 1st Detect. "We continue to sell the TRACER 1000 to the international cargo screening markets following the receipt of the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC) certification in 2019, and we are excited to get one step closer to being able to sell our product in the U.S. The TRACER 1000 represents the next generation ETD, and unlike its competition, has near-zero false alarms that provide substantial savings in secondary screening and an unlimited threat library that provides insurance against technology obsolescence."

About Astrotech Corporation

Astrotech (NASDAQ: ASTC) is a science and technology development and commercialization company that launches, manages, and builds scalable companies based on innovative technology in order to maximize shareholder value. 1st Detect develops, manufactures, and sells trace detectors for use in the security and detection market. Astrotech is headquartered in Austin, Texas. For information, please visit www.astrotechcorp.com.

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