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Press Release

**“RMB INDUSTRIES, CREATORS OF THE INNOVATIVE
“APPREHENDER™” DEVICE, BRINGS SAFER, CUTTING-EDGE TACTICAL
TECHNOLOGY TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SECTOR”**

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ANAHEIM, CA (December 9, 2009) – RMB Industries, developer of the Apprehender™ Cuffing Apprehension and Control Device technology, offers law enforcement and security officers a safer, more efficient, and more humane tactical restraint tool than anything available on the worldwide marketplace. The technology, introduced initially in 2006 and now integrated into mainstream law enforcement and security channels, has already revolutionized the baton equipment marketplace with its groundbreaking design and performance. In addition to being safer for both law enforcement officers and offenders, RMB Industries’ patented Apprehender technology is the most effective tool on the marketplace – combining the power and strength of a baton with the restraint and control of a handcuff, and enabling even a small police officer to manage a large individual in a way that protects both parties.

Based in Anaheim, Calif., RMB Industries, along with its Apprehender technology, was the brainchild of original founder Rich Barwick, a 30-year veteran of the martial arts discipline. The product was inspired by the martial arts practice – blending strength, reach and efficiency to achieve desired results. The outcome was the creation of an entirely new type of cuffing and restraint device – one that is virtually unrivaled in its less-lethal use of force options, making it significantly easier for officers to quickly handle and subdue an uncooperative offender, while, at the same time, encouraging a safer protocol. Since its formal introduction to the nation’s top law enforcement channels, the Apprehender has been recognized as the most humane system available to curtail violent individuals.

“Our goal was to mimic the physical principles of martial arts – an ancient discipline based on self-protection – by creating a technology that would give officers the same physical leverage without having to learn the specifics of the art,” explains Bill Abel, RMB Industries’ current President and CEO. “The Apprehender provides far greater confidence to officers in the field, and offers a truly breakthrough design that combines restraint and control in an easy-to-use tool. This is what officers have been asking for and have been missing in current less-lethal

technologies – and now it's available, in one reliable and affordable design. It's no surprise that the most prominent experts in law enforcement can't say enough good things about our technology.”

RMB Industries' Apprehender™ Technology Sets New Security Industry Standards

Since the technology debuted and was first reviewed by law enforcement experts, initial feedback for RMB's Apprehender line has been overwhelmingly strong. Just last month, Abel and his team were invited by the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs National Institute of Justice (NIJ) and the Rural Law Enforcement Technology Center (RLETC) to showcase the device. According to one police sergeant from the Ripon PD in Northern California whose agency carries the Apprehender department-wide: “I just reached in with the Apprehender and was able to gain control – simply and easily. What else can I say ... it just works.”

The major criminal justice, security and law enforcement entities throughout the country – including the ITT Technical Institute of Criminal Justice, Corrections and Community Corrections Departments across the U.S., police and sheriff departments across the U.S., and the Office of Homeland Security – have all acquired the Apprehender for in-field testing. Each of these organizations – which are on the front line of security enforcement on a daily basis – has expressed their appreciation for the Apprehender's revolutionary design and performance, and each recognizes that it is a landmark technology destined to impact the next generation of law enforcement restraint policies and protocols.

Bob Hood, a 33-year veteran in criminal justice and retired Warden of the “Supermax” U.S. Penitentiary in Florence, Colorado who has worked with some of the nation's most difficult offenders, explains why the Apprehender is so unique: “Apprehending, transporting, and controlling disruptive individuals using control tactics instead of striking is the preferred method of handling offenders in today's environment – using a humane, but secure technology is what administrators have been looking for throughout the years. The Apprehender Cuffing Apprehension Control Device offers a high degree of leverage control and a wide range of tactical options – all designed for officer, offender and community safety.” Hood adds: “In fact, it is the ideal tactical restraint for use throughout the criminal justice system.”

The Chair of the ITT Technical Institute School of Criminal Justice, Michael Gagner, confers: “My expectations for the Apprehender were high and I was not disappointed. I have tested the Apprehender on retired officers, current officers and students. The reaction is almost always the same – one of surprise in regard to the effectiveness of the control that is provided by a simple twist and applying leverage ... I cannot wait to share my excitement with the (security) community on this great product ...”

RMB Industries attributes the technology's superior design, in large part, to the Apprehender's integrated handcuff with a remotely operated control mechanism. This patented innovation affords additional leveraged control that is unavailable with either a traditional side-handle style baton or the more trendy expandable batons. The Apprehender's cuffing baton technology also introduces the concept of going straight in to cuff the offender, rather than

striking, which represents a whole new broad range of tactical options to ensure greater safety and control.

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“As a result, we anticipate that the technology will bring about a fundamental change in law enforcement ‘arrest and control’ procedures – where officers shift toward *control* tactics and away from *striking* tactics,” added Abel. In addition to keeping officers and suspects safer, RMB believes that this shift in tactical approach will improve the public perception of law enforcement and decrease the instance of litigation over claims of excessive force.

The Apprehender device is affordable, and the company is currently offering volume purchase discounts to qualified law enforcement and security agencies worldwide. For more information, please visit www.rmb-industries.com or call 888.459.1615.

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RMB Industries, Inc. manufactures of the Apprehender™ Cuffing Apprehension Control Device (CB-01) which combines the power and strength of a baton with the restraint and control of a handcuff, in an ergonomic design that allows even the smallest police officer to control the largest suspect safely and easily. The secret is in the special design of the CB-01 that uses patented cuffing technology with the power of leverage to increase the strength, reach and effectiveness of any police officer who uses it. For more information please visit www.apprehender.net or call 888.459.1615.