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Axis Expands Portfolio With Industry's First Full-featured Thermal Network Cameras for Professional Surveillance

AXIS Q1910 and Q1910-E Thermal Network Cameras Detect People and Incidents Even in Complete Darkness

CHELMSFORD, Mass. – Jan. 18, 2010 – Axis Communications, the global leader in the network video market, today announced its AXIS Q1910 and Q1910-E Thermal Network Cameras, two unique products that perfectly complement any network video system required to secure an area 24 hours per day, seven days a week.

The new cameras utilize thermal imaging to allow users to detect people and incidents with great reliability even in complete darkness and other difficult conditions. The AXIS Q1910 is designed for indoor surveillance, while the AXIS Q1910-E is an IP66-rated, outdoor-ready camera.

“We see a great demand from customers in high-end professional applications to enhance their IP surveillance systems with thermal network cameras,” said Fredrik Nilsson, general manager of Axis Communications Inc. “Up until now, there have been no full-featured thermal network cameras available on the market, and analog thermal cameras are expensive and have proven a challenge to integrate with modern video surveillance systems. The AXIS Q1910 and Q1910-E change this by being the industry’s first security and surveillance thermal cameras that mesh perfectly with any network video system, delivering all the benefits that customers have learned to expect from network cameras.”

Thermal cameras create images based on the heat that radiates from any object, vehicle or person. This gives thermal cameras the power to see through complete darkness and deliver images that allow operators to detect and act on suspicious activity. Thermal cameras can also allow operators to see in many difficult weather conditions – such as haze, dust and smoke – better than conventional cameras.

Traditionally, thermal imaging has been dominated by military technology and came at a very high cost. Now, with Axis’ distribution network consisting of more than 30,000 partners worldwide and more than 700 Axis Application Development Partners (ADP), thermal cameras will be accessible to whole new groups of security and surveillance users, including local and city governments, transportation, retail and education organizations.

“AXIS Q1910 and Q1910-E Thermal Network Cameras are an excellent complement to conventional cameras within area protection, perimeter monitoring and building security,” said Nilsson.

Both cameras offer competitive thermal imaging capabilities such as 160 x128 resolution, 8.33 fps and 17° angle of view. In addition, they are unique on the market in supporting key IP surveillance features such as H.264 and Motion JPEG, audio, local storage and Power over Ethernet. Intelligent video is a key component of any thermal camera, and the AXIS Q1910 and Q1910-E provide tampering alarm, motion detection and support for AXIS Camera Application Platform. They also use the same API as other Axis network cameras.

AXIS Q1910 and Q1910-E Thermal Network Cameras are supported by the industry's largest base of video management software through the ADP program as well as the AXIS Camera Station. They also support the ONVIF specification for interoperability of network video products.

The Q1910 and Q1910-E will be available in January 2010 through Axis' distribution channels for a suggested retail price of \$2999 and \$3499, respectively. For photos and more, please visit http://www.axis.com/corporate/press/press_material.htm?key=q1910

About Axis Communications

Axis is an IT company offering network video solutions for professional installations. The company is the global market leader in network video, driving the ongoing shift from analog to digital video surveillance. Axis products and solutions focus on security surveillance and remote monitoring, and are based on innovative, open technology platforms. Axis is a Sweden-based company operating worldwide with offices in more than 20 countries and cooperating with partners in more than 70 countries. Founded in 1984, Axis is listed on the NASDAQ OMX Stockholm, under the ticker AXIS. For more information about Axis, please visit our website at www.axis.com.

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