



Robeson County, NC Selects PortalGuard® Identity and Access Management Cloud Platform for Enhanced Desktop Security and Insurance and Compliance Requirements

Robeson, NC and Wall, NJ – February 8, 2023 – [BIO-key International, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: BKYI), an innovative provider of workforce and customer identity and access management (IAM) solutions featuring [Identity-Bound Biometrics](#) (IBB), announced that Robeson County, NC selected its [PortalGuard IDaaS®](#) platform for improved security for desktop and application access and to meet regulatory and insurance compliance. PortalGuard continues to gain traction helping the public sector combat the most imminent cyber security threats to protect critical infrastructure better.

Robeson County joins Robeson Community College in using PortalGuard for IAM requirements. The County's IT team is enhancing its workstation login security by using BIO-key's [FIDO security keys](#) as the primary authentication method for Microsoft Windows access. PortalGuard's robust multi-factor authentication options and its full-featured self-service password reset capabilities provide County users with secure authentication and a frictionless user experience that supports the implementation of a Zero Trust security model.

"In partnership with the National Association of Counties (NACo), we are proud to assist county leaders throughout the US in deploying security solutions that protect their mission-critical systems and constituents," said Mark Cochran, President of BIO-key – PortalGuard. "County Governments are selecting BIO-key over competitive solutions because of our broad array of multi-factor authentication (MFA) capabilities and our ability to apply highly secure Identity-Bound Biometrics when needed. With PortalGuard, you can apply varying levels of security cost-effectively, while maintaining the same level of user convenience. This BIO-key strength is an important return on investment for our county government customers."

About BIO-key International, Inc. (www.BIO-key.com)

BIO-key has over two decades of expertise in providing authentication technology for thousands of organizations and millions of users and is revolutionizing authentication with biometric-centric, multi-factor identity and access management (IAM) solutions, including its PortalGuard IAM solution that provides convenient and secure access to devices, information, applications, and high-value transactions. BIO-key's patented software and hardware solutions, with industry-leading biometric capabilities, enable large-scale on-premises and cloud-based Identity-as-a-Service (IDaaS) solutions, as well as customized enterprise solutions.

BIO-key Safe Harbor Statement

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