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Mr. Karalis has been highly successful in managing programs, innovative technology and systems to prime contractors, system integrators, and American and foreign government military agencies. He specializes in bringing new products to the market, both domestically and overseas. He holds broad knowledge of providing technology to platforms in the International marketplace, avionics, electronics, radars, high density semiconductor packaging solutions, computer memory modules, telecommunications, digital signal processing (DSP) markets, base station and satellite receiver systems electronics, command and control information systems, weapons and simulation training systems. He has extensive experience with U.S. and foreign military and government procurement practices, is a skilled administrator, and is an acknowledged motivator and innovative problem solver.

Cosmo Karalis was born in Chicago, Illinois, graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy, and received his Naval Flight Officer Wings in Pensacola, Florida. As a Naval Flight Officer, Cosmo Karalis flew missions during multiple deployments to the Mediterranean, North Atlantic, and Pacific Oceans. These deployments included the collection of electronics (Elint) and communications (Comint) data. He holds 99 carrier landings on nine various U.S. aircraft carriers. He was the Commanding Officer for his detachments on the USS Kennedy (CV-67) and USS America (CV-66).

Mr. Karalis has more than 20 years' experience in industry with functional experience in strategic alliances, teaming, finance, financial control, manufacturing operations, contracts, acquisitions, mergers, engineering, strategic planning, program management, sales, business development and marketing.

Cosmo Karalis holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering and Management from the US Naval Academy. He holds a Master of Science degree in Finance and Management from Troy University, European Division. He also holds a Master of Science in Technology Management degree from Pepperdine University, Long Beach Campus that emphasized bringing new products quickly to market. This course brought him to the leading technology developers of Japan, Korea and Singapore in Asia, and to those in Germany, France and Spain in the European market.

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