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**Vidient Names Noted Airport CEO, Aviation Pioneer to Advisory Board**

Innovator Louis Turpen Adds Hands-On International Experience  
in Airport Operations and Counterterrorism Initiatives

SUNNYVALE, Calif., June 26, 2006 – Vidient Systems, Inc., a developer of behavior recognition and analysis software that detects security and safety breaches in real time, announced today the appointment of Louis Turpen, former chief executive officer of San Francisco International Airport, to its Board of Advisors.

“Lou is an authority on the infrastructure needs of world-class international airports,” said Brooks McChesney, president and CEO of Vidient Systems, Inc. “Few can match his hands-on experience in planning and executing airport redevelopment. Vidient will gain important insight into the needs of 21<sup>st</sup> century airport facilities thanks to Lou’s expertise in aviation, security, and airport planning.”

Mr. Turpen has a distinguished career in international aviation, serving for over two decades as chief executive officer of major international airports. At San Francisco International Airport, he successfully completed reconstruction of the terminal complex, as well as the planning, designing, financing, and initial construction of a new 2 million-square-foot International Terminal. As CEO of the Lester B. Pearson International Airport in Toronto, he completed a redevelopment initiative that included two new runways and replacement of most of the terminal, cargo, and maintenance facilities.

During his career, Mr. Turpen has been the innovator of several aviation programs, including the first airport counterterrorism plan in 1985 and the first noise mitigation plan in 1987. He served as a member of the Airports Council International World Governing Board—representing more than 1,400 airports in 167 countries—from 1999–2004. Elected as a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society in Great Britain in 1991 and in 1996, Turpen served on the Board of Directors of the Airports Council International Pacific Region Airports from 1982 until 1995 and as its president in 1983, 1989, and 1993.

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Mr. Turpen was honored by the City of San Francisco Airports Commission in the dedication of the *Louis A. Turpen Aviation Museum* at San Francisco International Airport. He is president of the San Francisco Aeronautical Society, which is dedicated to preserving the history of commercial aviation in the Pacific.

“The Vidient management team is privileged to have the opportunity to work with Lou, whose reputation in the world’s commercial aviation community is stellar and long standing,” McChesney added.

Turpen joins a distinguished group of advisors at Vidient that includes Admiral Steve Abbot, President & CEO, Navy Marine Corps Relief Society and former Acting Homeland Security Advisor to the President; Richard A Clarke, Chairman of Good Harbor and former senior White House security advisor under several administrations; Takeo Kanade, a world-renowned researcher and professor of computer science and robotics at Carnegie Mellon University; and, Admiral David Stone, former Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Transportation Safety Administration (TSA).

Designed for use in corporate, government, utility, and major transportation facilities, Vidient SmartCatch 2.5 intelligent video surveillance software was selected as part of an innovative new TSA-funded security solution for “The Airport of the Future” being deployed at Florida’s Tallahassee Regional Airport. Other major airports using Vidient’s recognition and analysis software include San Francisco International, San Diego International, Helsinki’s Vantaa Airport, and Salt Lake City International.

Vidient SmartCatch 2.5 is available worldwide through a network of channel partners across North America, a global marketing and distribution agreement with NEC and directly from Vidient Systems.

#### **About Vidient Systems, Inc.**

Vidient Systems, Inc. designs, develops and deploys behavior recognition software systems that enable video surveillance cameras to monitor for and detect behaviors that threaten safety and security, alerting guards in real-time and intelligently managing event response. It is used today to monitor secure locations at major transportation facilities, corporations and public institutions. The Sunnyvale, California-based company was founded in 2003 and is funded by leading global venture investors Blueprint Ventures, Trident Capital and Hotung Venture Capital. For more information, visit

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