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**VIDIENT SYSTEMS APPOINTS SENIOR SALES EXECUTIVE
TO NEWLY CREATED POSITION**

Security Industry Veteran Gary Thomas To Focus on Western Region

SUNNYVALE, Calif. March 3, 2005 -- Vidient Systems, Inc., a leader in behavior recognition software systems, today announced the appointment of Gary Thomas to the newly created position of Director of Sales, Western Region. Formerly Western Regional Sales Manager for VistaScape, Thomas will oversee and manage Vidient sales efforts, including customer relationship management and new business development, for the company west of the Mississippi River.

With deployments at major companies and airports including San Francisco International, San Diego International and Salt Lake City International airports, Vidient Systems develops behavior recognition and analysis software that makes networks of video surveillance cameras (CCTV) more accurate and cost-effective.

Thomas brings two decades of sales experience in the security industry to Vidient. Prior to joining, Thomas worked with VistaScape, an Atlanta-based surveillance software company. While at VistaScape, he managed the sales organization and was responsible for new business development, setting the sales force direction, and working with large customer accounts. In his new position at Vidient, Thomas will focus on the further expansion of Vidient SmartCatch 2.0 and its new behaviors within current and new customer installations, and developing new business relationships with end customers, system integrators and other channel partners.

"Gary is a perfect fit for us given his security and sales experience, and his considerable success over the past several years directly in the market for intelligent video surveillance software," said Brooks McChesney, founder, president and CEO of Vidient Systems, Inc.

"He has a strong sense of what customers need today and has a very hands-on approach to customer relationships. He is a tremendous addition to Vidient and a valuable resource to our customers as we expand existing and new SmartCatch 2.0 deployments, all of which are critical components of our customers' security operations."

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Vidient's video surveillance software system monitors access control, perimeter monitoring and asset protection within transportation facilities, corporations and public institutions. The company recently announced Vidient SmartCatch 2.0, a new version of its flagship product that includes advanced new behaviors that significantly expand the potential uses of SmartCatch.

"SmartCatch is a highly accurate intelligent video surveillance solution that clearly delivers on the promise of real-time monitoring," said Gary Thomas. "I'm looking forward to helping expand the use of this great technology while growing this company to the next level."

Vidient provides its video surveillance software to the global market for networks of CCTV cameras, which reached \$3 billion in 2003 and is projected to grow 25-30% annually for the next five years, according to New York-based Mallon Associates, an investment and financial research and advisory firm that tracks the global security industry.

Along with VistaScape, Thomas has years of directly related sales experience in various networking and security-oriented companies. He previously served in sales, customer management and security needs analysis positions with Lucent Technologies, 3Com and Network Peripherals. Prior to VistaScape, Thomas was employed with Internet Security Systems where he conducted needs analysis of security risks and long-term security strategies for the company's Fortune 500 customer accounts. He also served as regional sales manager, Western U.S. and Asia Pacific, for Aravox Technologies.

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About Vidient Systems Inc.

Vidient Systems Inc. designs, develops and deploys behavior recognition and tracking software systems that enable the deployment of accurate and highly efficient video surveillance networks at major transportation facilities, corporations and public institutions. The Sunnyvale, Calif., company was founded in 2003 and has received \$6 million in initial venture capital from VC firms Blueprint Ventures, Trident Capital and Hotung Venture Capital. For more information visit www.vidient.com.

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