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NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Datakey Electronics, Inc. to Exhibit at West 2004

January 14, 2004. Burnsville, MN – Datakey Electronics, Inc. will be exhibiting at the largest state-of-the-art warfare and technology exposition and symposium on the West Coast at the San Diego Convention Center, 3-5 February. The Western Conference and Exposition – West 04 – co-hosted by AFCEA and the Naval Institute will feature exhibits from more than 350 technology leaders and discussions by leading military experts.

Joining Datakey Electronics in booth 654 will be **Larry Kilty** of **Lawrence Kilty Associates**. Mr. Kilty is the "father" of the STU-III communications security program. His background includes the Naval Academy, DoD Navy and Communications-Intelligence Assignments. Mr. Kilty has also held marketing positions at EDS, SRI, and Fairchild. He formed Lawrence Kilty Associates in 1982. Mr. Kilty is on retainer with Datakey Electronics for all government and military applications.

Datakey Electronics, Inc. manufactures products for Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs), consisting of proprietary memory keys and other custom-shaped tokens containing re-programmable non-volatile memory. Datakey Electronics' products are a convenient, rugged way to carry electronic data and to control access. These products are used world-wide in hundreds of military and commercial applications, cost-effectively providing a reliable way of storing and transporting electronic information where conventional methods would not survive.

Datakey Electronics, Inc. has a world-wide base of customers including Microsoft, General Dynamics, Raytheon, Siemens, New York Health and Hospital Corporation, Gasboy, governments and other multi-national corporations.

Datakey Electronics, Inc. uses the latest electronic memory technology and manufacturing techniques to provide both off-the-shelf and custom products. Datakey Electronics products solve difficult data transportation problems, security problems, and access control problems. These products are packaged in convenient key and custom-shaped tokens and are supported by a full line of peripherals for programming and access. Design services are available for custom products and system applications. Visit us at booth 654.

West 2004 is the largest event on the West Coast for communications, electronics, intelligence, information systems, imaging, military weapon systems, aviation, shipbuilding, and more. In addition to the exposition, leading military experts and analysts will address various topics related to national defense including: "What Did We Really Learn from Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom?" "How Can Our Weapon Systems Be 'Born Joint'?" "Is Experimentation Key to Getting New Systems to the Operators Faster?" "Fleet Response Plan: What Is It and What Does It Mean to Me?" and "What Are the Limits of Expeditionary Strike Groups, and When Can They Substitute for Carrier Strike Groups?"

For free on-line general registration and program updates go to <http://www.west2004.org>. For media registration contact Betsy Judge at (410) 295-1058/bjudge@navalinstitute.org.

The U.S. Naval Institute is a unique professional membership association that has served for more than 130 years as the only independent forum to advance the understanding of sea power and other issues critical to national defense. The U.S. Naval Institute publishes *Proceedings* and *Naval History* magazines and more than 900 professional books. For more information, go to www.navalinstitute.org.

AFCEA is an international non-profit association providing a forum for the professional communications, electronics, intelligence and information systems community. The association represents the top government, military, and industry professionals. AFCEA offers TechNet International, West and other conferences; symposia; professional development opportunities; *SIGNAL* Magazine; 140 chapters worldwide; and more. For more information, go to www.afcea.org.