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## **Alkan Shelter Announces it has met ISO and CSC Certification for 9-high Stackable Tactical Shelter/Container**

***First of its kind, “state of the art” carbon composite container shelter  
also approved for 10-high stacking capability***

**Fairbanks, Alaska – October 21, 2004** – Today Alaska-headquartered Alkan Shelter LLC, the composite shelter company, announced that its tactical shelter/container product, the *Protector Series 2000*, has been tested and has met both ISO standards and Container Safety Convention (CSC) regulations for 9-high stacking capability and above.

The *Protector Series 2000* is a state of the art tactical shelter/ container believed to be the first of its kind available, and has been designed and manufactured in its entirety by Alkan Shelter. Made of light-weight carbon composite materials, the 8x8x20 foot tactical shelter/container will provide customers with a transportation solution that has significant advantages such as strength and stiffness with low density, superior strength-to-weight ratio, lower maintenance requirements, and greater corrosion resistance.

United States Senator Ted Stevens (R-AK) commented “Our ongoing need to mobilize and store critical goods to global hotspots necessitates a shipping and protection system that serves dual purposes—both shipping container and tactical shelter. This product will allow us to reduce the logistical footprint, maximize cargo load and protect and secure the delivery of mission-dependent supplies. It will also provide us with the most important priority of all, the sheltering and protection of our troops in the field.” He added, “I am pleased that Alkan, an Alaska company, has achieved this superior accomplishment.”

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“In today’s shipping environment where commerce, military and governments require more space to transport much-needed and often life-saving goods, Alkan’s 9-high stackable tactical shelter/container will meet a significant market demand—allowing more goods to be shipped safely, and less expensively, to ports anywhere in the world, stated Ken Allen, President of Marine Container Certification Corporation. “Those charged with the safety and the delivery of goods across our seas understand that as the size of ships increase, the containers being placed on those vessels must be stable, while maximizing space. This product will allow transporters to dramatically increase shipping capacity with little or no increased product lifecycle costs.”

**Designing for a Decade**

Alkan has been designing, manufacturing and supplying shelters to government, military and commercial customers for over a decade—improving product effectiveness by applying architectural and engineering principles and utilizing composite materials. Previous and current customers include U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Army Natick Soldier Center, U.S. Air Force, TACOM at the National Automotive Center, U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Federal Aviation Administration, Los Alamos National Laboratory, National Science Foundation and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Past commercial customers include General Communications Incorporated (GCI), Alyeska Pipeline Service Company and Golden Valley Electric Association.

**About Alkan Shelter LLC**

Alkan Shelter LLC is a privately held limited liability corporation registered in the States of Alaska and New Mexico, with headquarters in Fairbanks, Alaska. It was originally formed in 1991 as Centec Mobile Systems, LLC. Conceived and created with an architect’s sense of design, attention to detail and efficient use of space, the Alkan family of shelter products provide an invaluable reassurance to their customers: the comfort of knowing they have selected the highest performing shelter available in the marketplace today. First requested by the National Science Foundation for use at the South Pole and Antarctica, and then modified, tested and perfected for years in the rugged and harsh conditions of the vast Alaskan wilderness, Alkan

shelters have endured the greatest test of all – surviving the many extremes that nature, man and geography can deliver. For more information visit [www.alkanshelter.com](http://www.alkanshelter.com)

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