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NAC IT Solutions Launches System-Wide Implementation Phase for Raytheon Document Management Project at Laguna Verde

ATLANTA— NAC International's (NAC) Information Technology (IT) Solutions Group has received authorization for the system-wide implementation phase of a turnkey project to provide an automated configuration management system to Mexico's state-run utility, the Comision Federal de Electricidad (CFE).

In early 1999, NAC's IT group undertook a major contract with Raytheon Ebasco Overseas Limited to pilot the implementation of a site-wide configuration and process management system to handle the large volume of documents at Laguna Verde, a two-unit nuclear power plant in Veracruz, Mexico. The effort is CFE's largest ever document management conversion project.

The implementation phase involves system-wide integration—hardware relocation, planning and preparation, and customization—that includes data conversion and 200 on-line users on site at the Laguna Verde station.

Phase One of the three-phased Raytheon/CFE project, which was successfully completed in 1999, included installation of a baseline system for executive management proof of concept. Phase Two encompassed the building and testing of a pilot for the turnkey electronic document management system, including software customization for the requirements of the Laguna Verde users.

"NAC has the unique combination of IT implementation capabilities and utility operations knowledge to ensure that the plant configuration remains consistent with the plant's design and licensing bases," said Geoffrey Evans, NAC vice president of IT solutions and Raytheon/CFE project manager.

Software for the project is a customized version of the FYI software tool kit, which is being provided by NAC's IT Solutions network partner, Melbourne, Florida-based Identitech—an industry-leading provider of enterprise document management and workflow software. This state-of-the-art solution enables the user to select electronic images of plant documents and records from a managed and

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indexed environment. Utilizing NAC's customized software, utility engineers, plant operators and management staff will experience the advantages of much more efficient, automated controlled processes to perform their daily responsibilities. NAC's FYI solution merges documents previously located on multiple electronic and paper documentation systems throughout the plant and enables users to electronically access the plant's design basis documents, plans and procedures, engineering drawings, Final Safety Analysis Reports and technical specifications.

NAC is recognized worldwide as a leading U.S. nuclear energy and electric utility solutions and services company. NAC specializes in nuclear fuel transport, spent fuel management technology, fuel cycle consulting and information technology. The company's growing services include fuel procurement and performance evaluations, competitive assessments and knowledge management, utility restructuring, and regulatory and communications planning. In addition to its Atlanta headquarters, NAC has offices in Washington, D.C.; Zürich; London; Tokyo; Moscow; New York; Boston; San Jose; and Aiken, S.C.

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