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Smith International and Sub-One Technology Partner to Bring InnerArmor® Coatings to Global Oil Country Tubular Goods Markets

HOUSTON, TX (January 22, 2009)— Smith International, Inc. of Houston, Texas and Sub-One Technology of Pleasanton, California announced today that they will jointly commercialize the application of Sub-One's advanced InnerArmor coating technology for oil country tubular goods (OCTG) applications. The joint venture, Smith InnerArmor Technologies LLC (SIAT) has the exclusive license to supply a full range of OCTG coatings on a global basis.

InnerArmor coatings, which are applied to the internal surfaces of metallic components such as pipes, and tubes and other cylindrical items, increase resistance to corrosion, erosion, wear, and/or fouling. With a low coefficient of friction, the coatings also improve flow properties for liquids and gases.

By delivering InnerArmor coatings for the OCTG market, Smith InnerArmor Technologies will enable its oil & gas customers to meet the demanding environments prevalent in exploration and production activities. Typical applications envisaged are of coating production tubing in sour gas environments and in wells where scale is prevalent, and coating of drill strings to reduce erosion and friction pressure loss.

For more information on InnerArmor technology, go to www.sub-one.com.

About Sub-One Technology

Sub-One Technology is the market leader in advanced coatings for internal surfaces. Its InnerArmor® coating process applies a high performance, chemically inert, protective coating which reduces operational costs associated with corrosion, erosion and abrasive wear. Based in Pleasanton, California, the company works with a network of global coating providers to offer coating services to Fortune 500 companies in energy, automotive, and other industries. Founded in 2004, Sub-One Technology is a privately held company backed by Chevron, General Electric, Nomura, and Advanced Technology Ventures.