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U.S. Geological Survey Makes Topographic Maps Available Using GeoPDF® *60,000 Maps for Consumer and Commercial Use Now Accessible Online*

ATLANTA, GA – July 11, 2007 – TerraGo® Technologies announced today that the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is using the GeoPDF format to make its primary base series quadrangle maps available online. The USGS GeoPDF maps can be accessed through the USGS store at <http://store.usgs.gov>.

The initial project, started by the US Army Corps of Engineers, involved converting more than 60,000 USGS Digital Raster Graphics to GeoPDF files. These maps represent USGS primary base series quadrangles used by businesses and consumers for all kinds of applications from engineering to land use management and recreation such as hiking, hunting and camping.

The GeoPDF maps can be accessed online and printed or downloaded. Once maps are downloaded, users can view, manipulate and update maps via Adobe Reader® with or without an Internet connection or access to geographical information systems.

GeoPDF is the only geospatial data distribution and collaboration format that leverages the Adobe® portable document format (PDF), giving users powerful mapping functionality and capabilities via an application already installed on hundreds of millions of computers worldwide.

Leveraging a standard format already widely available made the GeoPDF format a logical choice for the USGS project. “Our organization manages vast stores of geospatial assets that all kinds of citizens want and need to access for business and pleasure. It’s our job to make that access as open, simple and cost effective as possible,” says John Davis, chief of the USGS Science Information Delivery section in Denver.

“GeoPDF is a great example of the power, flexibility, and portability of the PDF format,” said Kevin M. Lynch, Adobe vice president of product marketing. “Since GeoPDF-enabled documents

can be accessed by anyone with the free Adobe Reader, the geospatial community now has a way to quickly and easily communicate and collaborate across different systems and platforms.”

As for TerraGo Technologies, they believe the USGS project again proves the efficacy of their technology that makes geospatial data available to everyone. “This kind of application perfectly reflects the vision we’ve had for the GeoPDF format all along,” says James Davis, TerraGo Technologies president and CEO. “It’s wonderful to see the solution being used to open up complex geospatial data warehouses to everyone who can benefit from those valuable assets.”

The USGS has been in existence since 1879 and is a scientific organization focused on the study of landscape, natural resources and natural hazards that threaten American lives and interests. As a part of its mission, the USGS houses massive databases of mapping data and is home to the most extensive collection of natural science information available in the U.S., including hundreds of thousands of books, maps, imagery and serial records.

About TerraGo Technologies

TerraGo Technologies makes it simple to connect all kinds of users to geospatial mapping data. GeoPDF is the industry’s only geospatial data distribution and collaboration solution to leverage the ubiquitous Adobe portable document format breaking down technology barriers between geospatial professionals and the people who need access to geospatial data. Using MAP2PDF, geospatial professionals are able to convert complex geospatial information into user friendly, interactive GeoPDF files with extensive embedded data and mapping features. Users leverage Adobe Reader to perform a variety of viewing and editing functions. Customers include government agencies, utilities and other private enterprises. For more information, visit www.terragotech.com.

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