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**Phalanx Defense Systems awarded contract to provide armor to DHS Customs and Border Protection**

Gainesville, FL—Phalanx Defense Systems, LLC, a leader in the design, development and manufacturing of body armor and protective systems, has announced it landed a \$95,000 federal contract to sell 280 - .308 Responder™ Rifle Plates, a lightweight ballistic plate, to the Department of Homeland Security Customs and Border Protection.

The federal contract was set aside for small businesses to replace existing body plates used “for protection against high velocity firearms encountered by transnational and domestic threats during high risk operations,” according to bid documents.

“We are extremely proud to have been selected to provide protective armor to the U.S Customs and Border Patrol agents assigned with the increasingly arduous task of securing our borders,” Phalanx CEO James Coats said in a news release. “The wolf is always at our door, and the threats are increasing and evolving. We’re proud to provide some of the gear that protects our agents on the front lines defending us against those threats.”

**About Phalanx Defense Systems, LLC**

Phalanx Defense Systems thrives on identifying and creating technologies that push the limits of engineering. Establishing new standards of performance and excellence within the personal protective and armor industry is a core principal driving its team of current and former military, ballistics engineers, and advanced design engineers. Phalanx Defense Systems brings products to market that are unique, innovative, and most importantly, exceed customers’ expectations. They address advanced threats and conditions through user-centric design principals and evidence-based material science, always focusing on producing gear that protects our protectors BETTER than anything else on the market.

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