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Optex Systems Receives Invitation to Participate in the 2nd Annual Heavy Vehicles Summit

RICHARDSON, Texas, July 16, 2009 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Optex Systems Holdings, Inc. (OTCBB:OPXS), a leading manufacturer of optical sighting systems and assemblies primarily for Department of Defense applications, today announced that they received an invitation from the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement (IDGA) to be a participant in the 2nd Annual Heavy Vehicles Summit. The Second Annual Heavy Vehicle Summit, www.heavyvehiclessummit.com, will be held on September 14th -16th in Vienna, Virginia.

The summit is designed to focus on the most important and relevant aspects of heavy vehicle technology, modernization and advancements. It provides a forum for those who have a personal and professional stake in heavy vehicle technology to explore new technologies. Heavy vehicles such as the Abrams and Bradley are mission critical to ensuring the success of overseas military contingency operations. Currently, through its relationship with General Dynamics Land Systems and TACOM (Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command), Optex Systems provides its Laser Protected Periscopes and Fire Control Sighting Systems for both the Bradley fighting vehicle and the Abrams tank.

Danny Schoening, COO of Optex Systems, commented, "Optex continues to support our ground vehicle customers like General Dynamics Land Systems and TACOM by attending and sponsoring information summits. The Heavy Vehicles Summits will focus on the modernization, the survivability, and the future plans on many of the vehicles we support."

ABOUT OPTEX SYSTEMS

Optex, which was founded in 1987, is a Richardson, Texas - based ISO 9001:2008 certified concern, which manufactures optical sighting systems and assemblies, primarily for Department of Defense (DOD) applications. Its products are installed on various types of U.S. military land vehicles, such as the Abrams and Bradley fighting vehicles, Light Armored and Armored Security Vehicles, and have been selected for installation on the Stryker family of vehicles. Optex also manufactures and delivers numerous periscope configurations, rifle and surveillance sights and night vision optical assemblies. Optex delivers its products both directly to the military services and to prime contractors. For additional information, please visit the Company's website at www.optexsys.com.

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