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Verso Named Industrial Partner at Georgia Institute of Technology; Verso Commences Alliance with VoIP Security Roundtable

ATLANTA--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 8, 2006--Verso Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: VRSO), a global provider of next generation network solutions, announced today a formal partnership with the Georgia Tech Information Security Center (GTISC). GTISC is a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education with faculty and students from the College of Computing, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Sam Nunn School of International Affairs and Georgia Tech Research Institute.

Verso commenced the alliance by sponsoring a VoIP Security Roundtable discussion for students and faculty on Tuesday, March 7th at the UA Whitaker Biomedical Engineering Building. John O'Reilly, VP product sales, and Rene Campbell, senior manager of research and development, both of Verso Technologies, along with Georgia Tech assistant professors Faramarz Fekri, Nick Feamster, and Alexandra Boldyreva participated in the discussion.

As a GTISC Industrial Partner, Verso will collaborate with GTISC on speaking engagements, internships, and research projects. The Center is a leader in technical and policy research on topics including VoIP security, mobile security, and encryption. GTISC performs technical research for a variety of projects that address fundamental challenges to secure applications and communications, and also researches international security policy issues as entire economic sectors become dependent on similar or shared networks.

"Verso is emerging as a leader in VoIP security via our NetSpective(R) content filtering device that effectively blocks Skype(TM), a VoIP application with documented security issues. Alarmingly, research shows that as voice and data technologies continue to evolve and converge at accelerated rates, so do threats to VoIP technology and its users. Verso is researching and developing solutions to address growing VoIP network security vulnerabilities, as well as other security concerns including use of encryption in VoIP protocols," said John O'Reilly, VP product sales, Verso Technologies. "The partnership with GTISC is an ideal way to engage cross-industry leaders with private industry, government and academia to address the common concerns related to security of emerging technologies."

"The vision of the Georgia Tech Information Security Center is to address the information security challenge in a real world context. By working with companies like Verso as our industrial partners, we are able to develop education and research programs that benefit from the industry perspective and technological expertise of our partners," said Mustaque Ahamad, the Center's director.

About Verso Technologies

Verso is a global provider of Next Generation Network solutions offering a core-to-edge product portfolio primarily for telecommunications service providers. Our products enable our customers to secure and optimize network bandwidth, generate additional revenue and reduce costs. Our applications and services are cost effective, deploy quickly and provide a superior return on investment. For more information, contact Verso at <http://www.verso.com/> or call 678.589.3500.

About GTSIC

GTISC, a National Security Agency (NSA) Center of Excellence in Information Assurance Education, is an interdisciplinary center involving faculty from Computing, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI), the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, and the School of Public Policy.

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