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### **Lion's ERS CBRNe Suit Tested, Recommended by National Tactical Officers Association**

**DAYTON, OHIO** – December 22, 2009 – Lion Apparel's Extended Response Suit (ERS), a one-piece CBRN ensemble, has been tested and recommended by members of the [National Tactical Officers Association](#) (NTOA). The NTOA is a nationally recognized leader in law enforcement training, information and networking for first responders.

The ERS is certified to National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1994 Class 3, 2007 edition for "warm zone" operations when deployed with the proper ensemble elements. A "warm zone" is an environment where hazardous chemical and biological agents are anticipated or identified. Applications include perimeter security, crowd control, extended decontamination, and patient processing.

Utilizing the latest in lightweight, selectively permeable GORE® CHEMPAK® fabrics, the ERS delivers extended protection against the world's most dangerous threats. A multi-use ensemble that easily compacts for storage, the ERS has a shelf life of up to 10 years; a wash-life of up to five cycles; and a wear life of up to eight hours as long as the ensemble hasn't been damaged, exposed or contaminated.

NTOA reviewers awarded the ERS a score of 4.61 out of 5. The suit was judged using the following criteria: design, performance, ease of use, size, quality, durability, storage, versatility, convenience, application, comfort, accuracy and cleaning and maintenance.

The NTOA provided the following tester comments from their reviews of Lion's ERS:

*"My experiences have been with MOPP/JLIST/Hammer Suits, I found this suit a pleasant surprise over those other suits. Its one piece design gave me the confidence that other two piece suits don't, more so being 6'6" tall and most two pieces suits leave me compromised when I move and the rear of the suit is lifted and my lower back exposed. ... After three hours in the suit I was in better condition than I would be if I was using an older model MOPP/JLIST/Hammer Suit." –*

Tested by a police officer from Virginia

*“The Lion Apparel Extended Response Suit is an outstanding piece of outer wear gear (CBRNe) and I highly recommend it. I was impressed with how quickly I could get the suit on a fellow team member and tape him up. I also really liked the zipper, Velcro strips and adjustable waist band. The cut of the material was full and allowed for tactical movements. My team member stated it was comfortable and that the material felt very sturdy and provided a lot of rip and tear protection.”* – Tested by a police officer from Colorado

This NTOA will soon publish its review of Lion’s ERS in the organization’s journal, *The Tactical Edge* and post the results in its member-accessible online database at <http://www.ntoa.org/mtp/public/>.

For more about Lion’s chem-bio line of products, visit <http://www.lionapparel.com/cbrn.shtml>.

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