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BLACKHAWK® WARRIOR WEAR INTRODUCES GSA COMPLIANT ARMY GEN III ECWCS CLOTHING



NORFOLK, VA (October 4, 2006) BlackHawk Warrior Wear is proud to introduce the ECWCS Gen III Layer 5 jacket and pant providing soldiers, law enforcement officers and outdoorsmen Layer 5 of a layered clothing system that provides all weather protection and all day comfort. The U.S. Army developed the ECWCS (Extended Cold Weather Clothing System) Gen III as a systems approach to provide soldiers with 7 layers that will provide cold weather protection “while reducing weight, compression, and improving functionality and versatility over a wider range of conditions, and therefore increasing user acceptance.” The BlackHawk Warrior Wear Layer 5 jacket and pant construction and materials meet current U.S. MILSpec, are both GSA compliant, and feature state-of-the-art design, fabric technology and the high quality construction that BlackHawk customers have come to rely and count on.

The ECWCS Gen III Layer 5 jacket is a durable, lightweight “soft-shell” jacket which is highly wind and water resistant and breathable, yet stays soft and flexible with Nextec® EPIC silicone encapsulated fabric. Unlike commonly used DWR (durable water resistant) treated fabrics; EPIC fabric retains all its water and wind resistance properties through the life of the jacket, wash after wash, while maintaining its softness. The jacket keeps out the elements with Velcro® wrist cinches and a draw-cord waist adjustment. The center front zipper flap keeps out wind and rain while the nylon web zipper is not only easy to use, even with gloves, but rugged to withstand extreme environments and constant washings. There are Velcro loop attachment points for name tapes and rank insignia. The hood stows away quickly and without providing extra bulk.

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Draw string adjustments can be made to both the hood opening and hood depth to secure a snug facial fit. Top opening shoulder pockets provide ample storage room and keep out the elements. Available in Regular sizes S, M, L, XL and Long sizes L, XL and in three colors, ARPAT, Alpha Green or Black. The MSRP for the BlackHawk Warrior Wear ECWCS Gen III Layer 5 jacket is \$229.99.

The ECWCS Gen III Layer 5 pant is also made of EPIC fabric providing the wearer with exceptional water and wind resistance as well as breathability in a “soft-shell” design. Besides being weather resistant the Layer 5 pant also offers enhanced mobility, greater cargo carrying capacity, and quick removal capability. A gusseted crotch and Velcro adjustment tabs and elasticized sections of the waist allow for increased flexibility. The knee area is double-layered providing added durability. Built-in, adjustable, elasticized suspenders add security with out the hassles of a belt. The waist sides have zippers for quick, easy removal and the elasticized leg cuffs have two-snap adjustment points and zippered leg openings up to the knee for quick on and off. Also available in Regular sizes S, M, L, XL and Long sizes L, XL and in three colors, ARPAT, Alpha Green or Black, the BlackHawk Warrior Wear ECWCS Gen III Layer 5 pant’s MSRP is \$229.99.

About BlackHawk®:

BlackHawk Products Group™, headquartered in Norfolk, Virginia, with manufacturing, tooling and design facilities worldwide, was founded in 1993 by President and CEO Mike Noell. As the world leader in supplying tactical equipment to the military and law enforcement markets, BlackHawk continues to introduce new best-in-class products through intensive internal R&D initiatives and selective acquisitions. BlackHawk’s divisions include: BlackHawk Tactical™, HydraStorm®, HellStorm®, Masters of Defense® Knife Company (MOD), CQC™, Night-Ops®, Delta Design Group, Jungst Scientific, Dynamic Entry®, Warrior Wear™, BlackHawk Law Enforcement™, BlackHawk! Blades™, All Season’s Apparel, Wildfire Warrior™, and BlackHawk Outdoors™.

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