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The San Ysidro border crossing, one of the busiest ports of land entry into the United States must frequently cope with attempts at illegal entry by "port runners." Undeterred "port runners" provide illegal entry for immigrants, drugs, illicit materials, weapons and terrorists into the United States. Port runners and their allies rely on surprise and danger, which makes them a continual and difficult problem for the US Border Agents. Although installation of tire shredders has reduced the problem in recent years, the threat continues. Last year, for example, unofficial sources reported that 76 port runners tried to cross the border, up an increase from 54 in the previous year. These figures do not include an increasing number of wrong-way drivers who attempt to drive north from Mexico on southbound traffic lanes. These "wrong way" drivers have been responsible for numerous highway vehicle fatalities.

The Vehicle Stopping System is a remotely triggered denial of entry device that utilizes a net to capture and surround a suspicious vehicle. The device is installed in a trough underneath an exit lane, which is concealed by a high strength polymer cover that can withstand the force of passing vehicle traffic. The net is deployed from two towers each about four feet high on each side of the lane that are anchored to the ground by reinforced concrete and steel rods. When a "port runner" is detected the net is remotely activated. Pneumatic power and a sophisticated breaking system capture the vehicle and simultaneously wrap its doors to prevent escape by the occupants until authorities arrive. Tests demonstrate that the pneumatic powered breaking system has the capability to stop a vehicle moving at 50 MPH with so little forward deceleration that the occupants heads are not pitched forward.

The company believes that the Vehicle Stopping System will help the government to effectively respond to attempts at illegal entry at all its United States Border crossings. The device could also be used by the Department of Defense in force protection for military bases, the US State Department at foreign embassies, and on domestic and foreign highways for protection of construction workers from vehicular traffic hazards.



For additional information about Markland Technologies or to see the Vehicle Stopping System in action visit the Company website: www.marklandtech.com

About Markland Technologies

Markland Technologies is committed to helping secure America by providing innovative emerging technologies and expert services to meet the country's needs to protect our people, our borders and our infrastructure assets.

The Company is a member of the Homeland Security Industries Association <http://www.hsianet.org>

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