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SANBORN CONTRACTED BY THE USGS ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO PERFORM STATEWIDE LIDAR ACQUISITION SERVICES FOR IOWA

Colorado Springs, Colo., November 6th, 2006—John Copple, CEO of Sanborn, is pleased to announce that the company has been selected by the USGS and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to perform Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) acquisition and three-dimensional mapping services for the state of Iowa.

Sanborn, an industry leader in geospatial solutions, has been contracted to deliver high resolution LiDAR and digital elevation model (DEM) data, comprising of all 99 counties, approximately 55,870 square miles of the state of Iowa. The state will use Sanborn deliverables for a variety of purposes, including hydrological modeling, surface feature extraction, wetland mapping, and terrain visualization.

Current technological advances have made possible the collection and analysis of elevation data over large areas at a greater resolution than past technology has allowed. Combined with the current statewide geographic information systems (GIS) and natural resource applications, Iowa will benefit greatly from LiDAR data collection. Sanborn will provide a higher resolution elevation product to satisfy field based program needs for a variety of municipal organizations.

"The Department of Natural Resources teamed with the Iowa Department of Transportation, Natural Resource Conservation Service and Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship to generate the necessary funding," states Chris Ensminger, geographic information systems coordinator for the Department of Natural Resources. "We have selected Sanborn for their experience and past performance with LiDAR acquisition and services, and are looking

forward to final delivery as the data will provide much needed detail for watershed delineation, water quality modeling, construction planning and estimating, and floodplain mapping."

LiDAR technology permits high-resolution, three-dimensional mapping and will allow the state to accurately delineate surface profiles, drainage patterns and slope. Sanborn deliverables will meet Map Modernization guidelines and specifications as provided by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

John Copple states, "We are very pleased to be working with the state of Iowa and are looking forward to accelerating their growth and building upon a successful GIS. LiDAR can be used for a number of different applications, including generating contours, water quality risk assessments, and wildfire planning."

About Sanborn

With a rich tradition of mapping dating back to 1866, Sanborn offers end-to-end geospatial solutions backed by the latest in technology and superior customer support. The company's combined product and service offerings include consulting and off-the-shelf products; analog, digital and LiDAR data acquisition; photogrammetric mapping, remote sensing solutions, and data conversion. Sanborn offers product solutions for government and commercial customers. A nationally recognized company, Sanborn has multiple offices in the United States. For more information, visit www.sanborn.com.

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