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**MEANS KNAUS PARTNERS INSTALLS ELECTRONIC FIRE/EMERGENCY**

**PRE-PLAN PROGRAM IN MAJOR HIGH RISE**

**CommandScope Launches at 300 South Riverside Plaza: All Emergency Information Available to Security Personnel and First Responders Electronically**

CHICAGO (Aug. 29, 2012) – Means Knaus Partners, one of the nation’s largest property management firms, announced they have installed RealView’s CommandScopeTM Electronic Fire Emergency Pre-Plan program at the Leed Gold Certified, 1.1 million square foot 300 South Riverside Plaza building in Chicago. CommandScope includes all of the life/safety information required by first responders – fire and police – in the event of an incident.

CommandScope is installed in the management office and on three touch screen mobile tablet computers, two of which will be at the security desk in the lobby. They will be available to the first responders in the event of an incident. The program provides building construction details, evacuation plans, contact information, location of tenants with special needs, floor plans for every floor, fire protection details, building photos, fire hydrant locations and much more. CommandScope is intuitive to use, easy to navigate, and is available 24-7.

“CommandScope brings together all the critical emergency response information necessary to manage an incident from a 300 South Riverside Plaza command center, either on-site or remotely,” said Greg McGovern, 300 South Riverside Plaza Property Manager. “The system also provides our emergency response teams with the capacity to initiate and manage business continuity efforts to keep our tenants in business and minimize the cost of restoration to our clients.”

The staff at 300 South Riverside Plaza is able to effortlessly manage and update data in CommandScope for first responders and off-site Riverside support teams who need to access and digest information immediately in an emergency situation.

According to McGovern, “For first responders and off-site managers who are not immediately familiar with the building, being able to find detailed, specific and accurate information is as easy as navigating a touch-screen directory and can save crucial minutes in an emergency situation.”

“When first responders get to a building, even if they’ve never stepped foot in it before, CommandScope gives them an instantaneous snapshot of what they’re walking into,” said David Howorka, Executive Vice President of RealView, LLC, the Chicago-based company that developed CommandScope. “Our software program arms first responders with the ability to access the critical building details they need to save lives and assure less property damage.”

In addition to having data available on touch screen tablet computers in the building, CommandScope’s smart client architecture can also provide interoperability to mutual aid responders and police departments. Updating information is simple so plans are always current in case of an emergency, an important feature that is in line with today’s Homeland Security policies and recommendations.

Property owners and managers, fire departments, universities, hotels, assisted living facilities and utility companies are benefiting from easy access to standardized electronic pre-plans. Deployed in over twenty-one U.S. states and Canada, thousands of buildings have improved their safety, compliance and achieved accreditation.

For more information about the use of CommandScope, contact RealView, LLC at 312-284-2032.

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RealView, LLC ([www.RealViewLLC.com](http://www.RealViewLLC.com" \t "_blank)) is a software development company headquartered in downtown Chicago that specializes in paperless, mobile technology solutions. Featuring RealView Mobile Inspections and the CommandScope All Hazards Pre-Plan programs, RealView, LLC offers an ASP model that provides subscribers with software solutions without the costly expense of purchasing, managing, and supporting “owned” hardware/servers. All updates for RealView’s programs are systematically and seamlessly synchronized to clients electronically at no additional cost. With a Gold certified Microsoft development team, RealView, LLC offers the latest advancements in software technology and development solutions. For more information, contact RealView by phone (312.284.2030) or email ([info@realviewllc.com](file:///C:\Users\lschwaller\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary%20Internet%20Files\Content.Outlook\Q6016WRU\info@realviewllc.com)).

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