



As a part of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, the Support Anti-Terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies (SAFETY) Act was passed by Congress to encourage the development and deployment of anti-terrorism technologies that protect the nation. The SAFETY Act provides incentives for the development and deployment of anti-terrorism technologies by creating a system of "risk management" and a system of "litigation management." The purpose of the Act is to ensure that the threat of liability does not deter potential manufacturers or sellers of anti-terrorism technologies and services from developing and commercializing specialist technologies that could save lives.

ELS has a history of seeking certifications that differentiate us within the Baggage Handling Systems and airport equipment maintenance industry. We saw certification as a Qualified Service Provider for Anti-Terrorism Technology under the Safety Act as an important qualifier in the eyes of our customers. ELS has developed the highest levels of policy and procedure to exceed the requirements of the DHS in ensuring that its BHS O&M services are effective in supporting anti-terrorism technologies.

ELS incorporates continuous improvement in all aspects of its operation and maintenance programs. Combining the Safety Act Designation and Certification as a provider of qualified anti-terrorism technology with our ISO 9001:2008 certification, clearly demonstrates ELS is a leader in providing services of the highest quality and reliability.

SPOTLIGHT:

What Does this Mean to Our Customers?

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security designation means our customers are protected under benefits of the Safety Act for all maintenance services offered by ELS and will not be liable for claims of damages associated with a ELS services and a terror-related incident. **This Standard of Excellence extends the designated protection to our contracted partners and is seen as significant value in terms of cost and risk limitation for any customer associated with the Airline Transportation Industry.**

The SAFETY Act provides 2 levels of liability protections to help promote the creation, deployment and use of anti-terrorism technologies:

DESIGNATION: The seller's liability for products or services that are deemed "Designated Technologies" is limited to the amount of liability insurance that the Department of Homeland Security determines the seller must maintain. Designation can also be obtained for promising anti-terrorism technologies that are undergoing testing and evaluation.

CERTIFICATION: In addition to the benefits provided under the Designation, its Certification allows a seller of an anti-terrorism technology to assert the Government Contractor Defense for claims arising from acts of terrorism. Technologies that receive Certification will be placed on DHS's Approved Products List for Homeland Security.