

## **Department 13 CEO Jonathan Hunter Presented to Starburst Accelerator Aerospace Innovation Hub Conference**

*Presentation Highlighting MESMER's Unique Capabilities Available on D 13 Website*

**PERTH, WA and COLUMBIA, MD USA – 22 March, 2017** – Jonathan Hunter, Chief Executive Officer of Department 13 (ASX: D13 or “the Company”), was selected to provide an overview of the Company’s MESMER™ Counter Drone Solution, to the Starburst Accelerator Aerospace Innovation Hub Conference on March 21 in Los Angeles, California. Department 13, one of ten companies selected to present at the Conference, was the only drone defense company participating in it.

The presentation was given to more than 200 participants representing world-class aerospace industry partners, government agencies and institutional investors.

“Since its founding in 2012, the Starburst Accelerator has gained an international reputation as a prime outlet for innovative aerospace companies to present to some of the most influential stakeholders in the sector,” Mr. Hunter said. “We believe that the specific advantages offered by the MESMER platform resonated with the audience and will help us further forge our connections within the industry as it seeks new technological solutions for protecting against unauthorized drones.”

MESMER is a revolutionary commercial counter-drone platform, using sophisticated automated detection and mitigation strategies to stop, redirect, land or take total control of a target drone or radio-controlled device. This is done with protocol manipulation, which takes advantage of weaknesses found in all digital radio protocols. MESMER is also flexible, operating as a stand-alone system, or working in tandem with existing hardware solutions. MESMER is ideal for both commercial and defense/security organizations to deal with the emerging threat of ubiquitous autonomous systems. The company’s counter-drone solution offers the best of D13’s innovative technologies and deep experience.

### **About Department 13**

Department 13 (D13) was founded in Virginia in 2010 by a team of former military operators, scientists and engineers who apply proprietary innovative advanced technology to emerging requirements. D13 is developing cutting-edge software and communication systems that have the potential to transform the networking and communication fields as well as current applications in drone defense, mobile phone IT security and secure enhanced Android phone systems. D13 is engaged with multiple counter UAS projects to provide strategic solutions for civil, military and commercial security requirements. D13 has 13 patents and 22 patent applications in the development of wireless protocol manipulation and communication networking software with applications in drone defense, local area and wide area cellular communications and networking, enhanced data bandwidth for all digital communications, cyber security for mobile devices and sophisticated RF technology applications (radiometrics).

For more information about D13, please visit [www.department13.com](http://www.department13.com) or follow us on Twitter (@D13ASX), LinkedIn and YouTube.

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