Arbor Express and KDH Defense Systems (“KDH”), legally merged in December 2019, becoming one company – Armor Express, though the KDH brand lives on. We will continue to leverage the almost two decades of innovation and success KDH has established, serving the U.S. Armed Forces, Department of Defense and several agencies within the Federal Government.

Since its creation in 2003, the KDH brand has consistently delivered innovative, high-quality body armor solutions, ranging from the Interceptor Outer Tactical Vest (OTV) to each generation of the Improved Outer Tactical Vest (IOTV Gen I, II, III, and IV). More recently, with awards from the U.S. Army, we continue to serve with pride, "next generation" body armor solutions, including the Soldier Protection System – Modular Scalable Vest (SPS-MSV), the Blast Pelvic Protector (BPP), the ULTRA Low Visibility Concealable Body Armor (ULV-CBA) System, and the Light Air Warrior System (LAWS). Further, through a seven-year contract with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, we supply a host of carrier solutions, ballistic packages and hard armor plates that meet the mission-critical needs of this prestigious agency and the divisions within.

View our complete assortment of KDH protective solutions at www.armorexpress.com.

Our state-of-the-art facility in Eden, North Carolina boasts 160,000 square feet of manufacturing capacity, with the latest advancements in technology and equipment. This operational center of excellence is where we produce large volume contracts for the U.S. Department of Defense and Federal Government, and it also serves as a sister facility to our Central Lake, Michigan operations, fully capable of producing NIJ .06 and anticipated NIJ .07 ballistic, tactical and hard armor plates. Through lean methodologies and continuous improvement, we have been able to maximize floor space, material flow, and our manufacturing processes.

In addition, Armor Express’ new Corporate Headquarters in Arlington, Virginia serves as the central point for Government customer engagements, given its proximity to the nation’s capital. As a critical supplier to the U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy Security Forces and various Federal agencies, having this office at a central location of the Company’s strategy is closer to both military and government customers and provides real-time support.

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MSV GEN II

The MSV-GEN II is one of the latest protective systems released by the Army and was developed over the past decade. The MSV-GEN II offers easy adjustment, comfort and maximum concealment.

BPP

The BPP offers both front and rear protection to the pelvic area.

ATPC-SPEAR

The ATPC-SPEAR System is the culmination of a multi-year development program. The system balances the fine line between coverage and weight. The system dependent upon mission requirements. The PC is a 2-point cut away system, has fully integrated side protection, communication routing channels, and increased MOLLE attachment points. In addition to more efficient weight distribution, the PC gives the Marine the ability to use a plate carrier vest system instead of the larger IMTV vest. The PC also has optional lower back and groin protection and can be removed if not needed.

USMC PLATE CARRIER

The USMC Plate Carrier is the new U.S. Marine Corps plate carrier vest system. It consists of a constructed soft shell vest used with plates of various weights to provide body armor protection and can be removed if not needed.

DHS TOGC

The back of the carrier has a 6” wide quick attachment point along the bottom edge of the carrier to allow greater adjustment and comfort.

DHS SOGC

The SOGC is intended to be worn over the duty uniform providing a platform for soft armor and hard armor plates.

DHS CGG

The CGG is a complete soft shell and hard armor fabrication providing maximum comfort, the best look and precision fit of traditional vests. The vest has an optional internal belly band allowing the operator greater adjustment and always ensures the proper positioning of his or her ballistic panels. The front and back of the carrier has a 6” wide quick attachment point along the bottom edge of the carrier to allow greater adjustment and comfort.

SPC-SOLDIER PLATE CARRIER

The SPC – Soldier Plate Carrier System is the U.S. Army Plate Carrier System currently produced with combat troops in Afghanistan over the last decade. The system consists of a lightweight, low profile weight vest. The SPC was chosen over all other competitor designs as a result of lengthy review, field evaluations and analysis, the U.S. Army chose the SPC System. The SPC System was based on the U.S. Special Operations SPEAR-shaped ballistic shape and was developed with the U.S. Air Force – Special Operations Command (AFSOC). The ballistic shape of the SPC System is intended to provide maximum coverage and mobility.

IVOT GEN IV

The IOTV GEN IV is the replacement to the older Interceptor Body Armor vests. The IOTV has been selected over the past years based on real-world combat feedback. It is compatible with the Improved Outer Tactical Vest (IOTV) and the IOTV plate system. The IOTV is an advanced body armor vest that provides the user with the ability to change from a tactical configuration to a patrol configuration. The IOTV provides for maximum protection, rear back protection, and rear throat protection.

PLATES (RIFLE)

The high-impact ceramic composite armor plate is based on the U.S. Special Operations SPEAR-shaped ballistic shape. The SOGC is intended to be worn over the duty uniform providing a platform for soft armor and hard armor plates. The SOGC has an optional internal belly band allowing the operator greater adjustment and always ensures the proper positioning of his or her ballistic panels. The front and back of the carrier has a 6” wide quick attachment point along the bottom edge of the carrier to allow greater adjustment and comfort.

PLATES (RIFLE)

The CGG is a complete soft shell and hard armor fabrication providing maximum comfort, the best look and precision fit of traditional vests. The vest has an optional internal belly band allowing the operator greater adjustment and always ensures the proper positioning of his or her ballistic panels. The front and back of the carrier has a 6” wide quick attachment point along the bottom edge of the carrier to allow greater adjustment and comfort.

PLATES (RIFLE)

The TOGC is the US Marine Corps plate carrier vest system. It consists of a constructed soft shell vest used with plates of various weights to provide body armor protection and can be removed if not needed.