

### Physical Source Tracking Program for Mobile Sources

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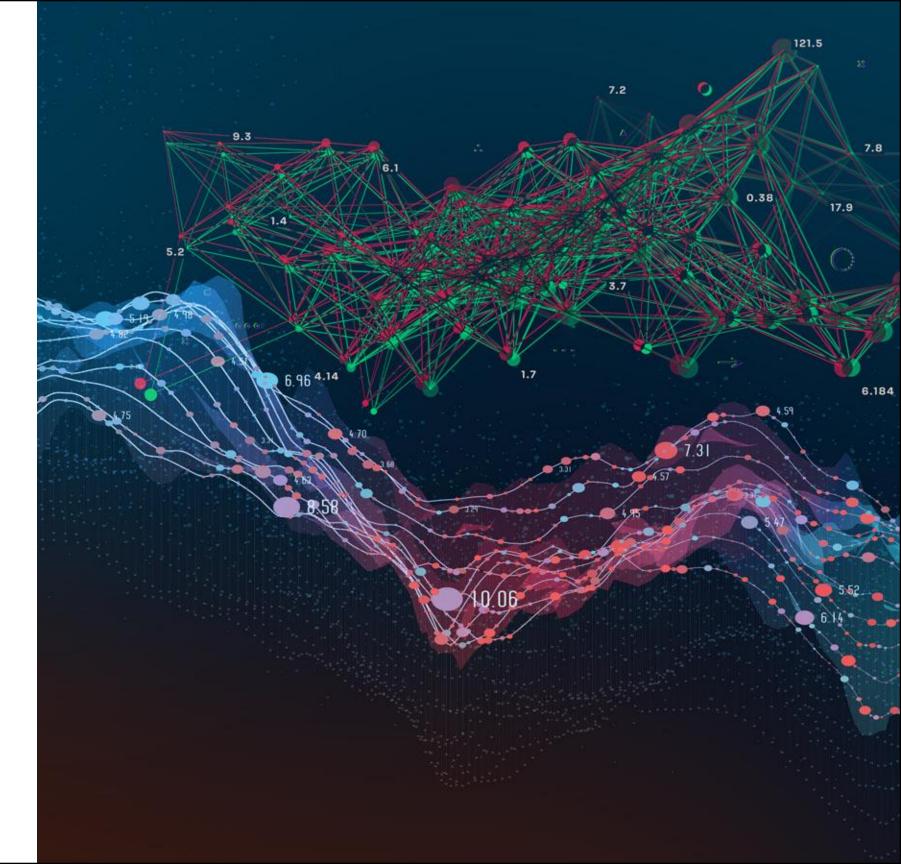
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Radioactive Sources: Applications and Alternative Sources



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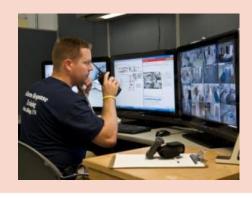


## Office of Radiological Security

 Mission: ORS enhances global security by preventing high activity radioactive materials from use in acts of terrorism

#### **PROTECT**

PROTECT radioactive sources used for vital medical, research, and commercial purposes



#### **REMOVE**

REMOVE and dispose of disused radioactive sources



#### **REDUCE**

on radioactive sources through replacement with viable non-isotopic alternative technologies





#### Mobile Radioactive Source Risks and Threats

Worldwide 10,000 commercial mobile sources in use

Portability increases the vulnerability of devices during transport and field use Number of "incidents" involving mobile sources since 2012 (RadTrax)







Mobile Radioactive Source Risk



## **Developing an Effective Solution**

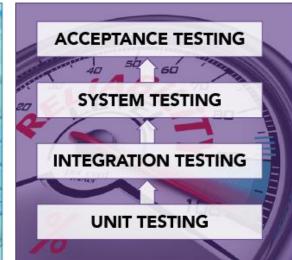




**Cost Effective** 



Reliable & Robust



Alert/Alarm Communication



**Characteristics of an Effective Solution** 



## Reducing The Risk With Technology





#### Technology Refinement

Needs Analysis

Trade Studies

Field Studies

User & Site Visits

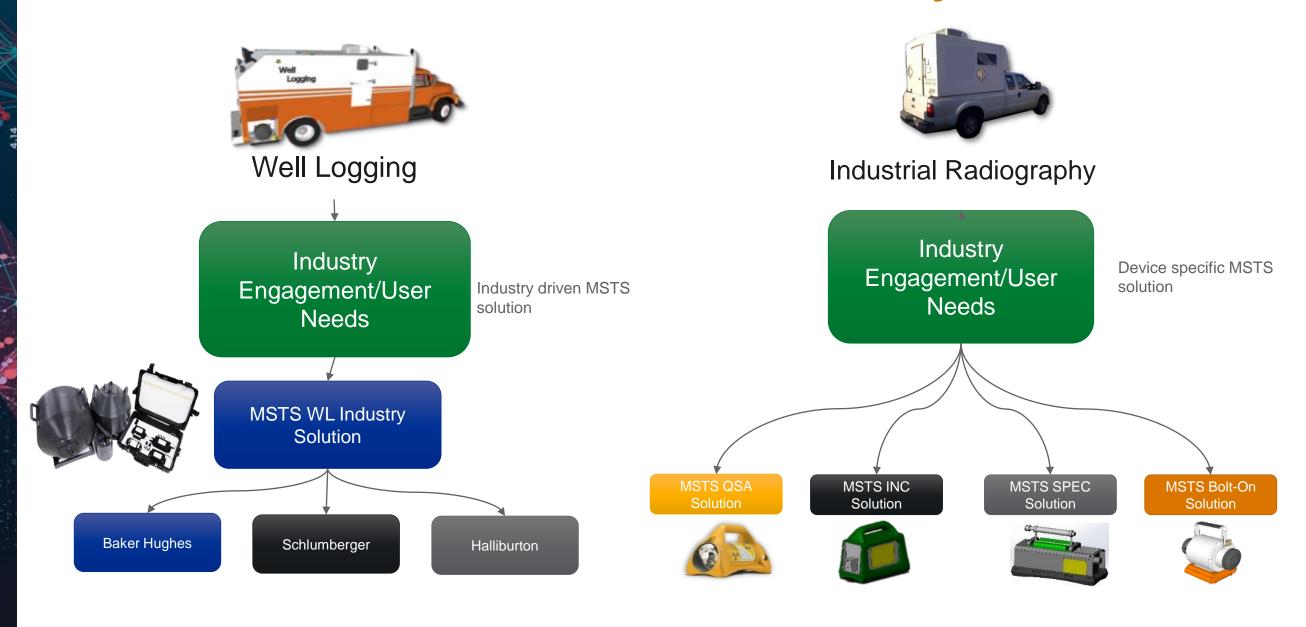
User Feedback

#### Mobile Source Transit Security (MSTS) Solutions

- Industrial Radiography Source Tracking Technology
- Well Logging Source Tracking Technology

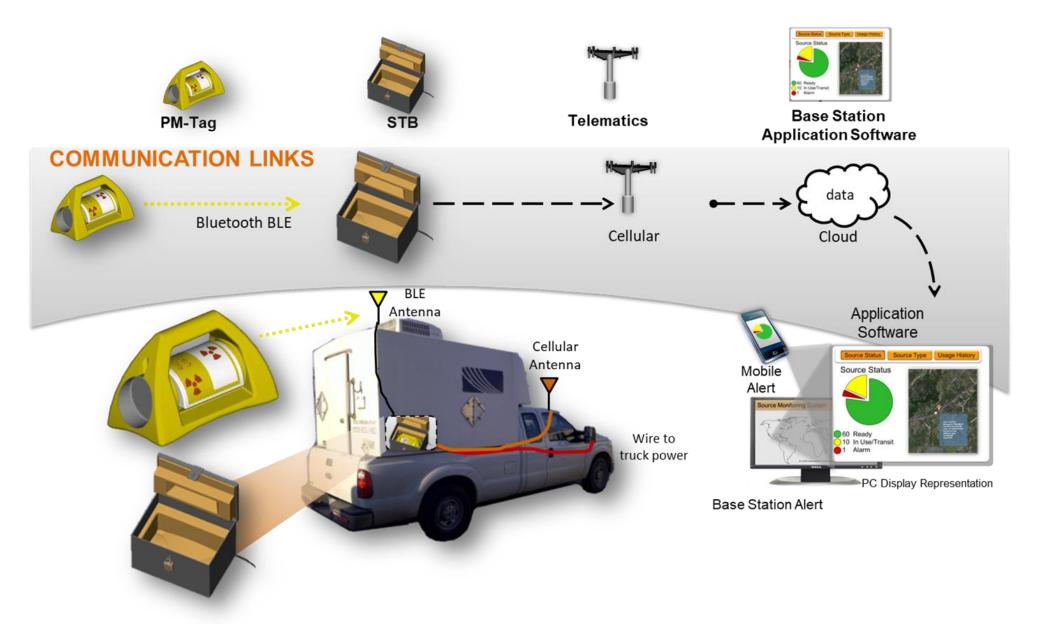


## **Mobile Source Transit Security Solutions**



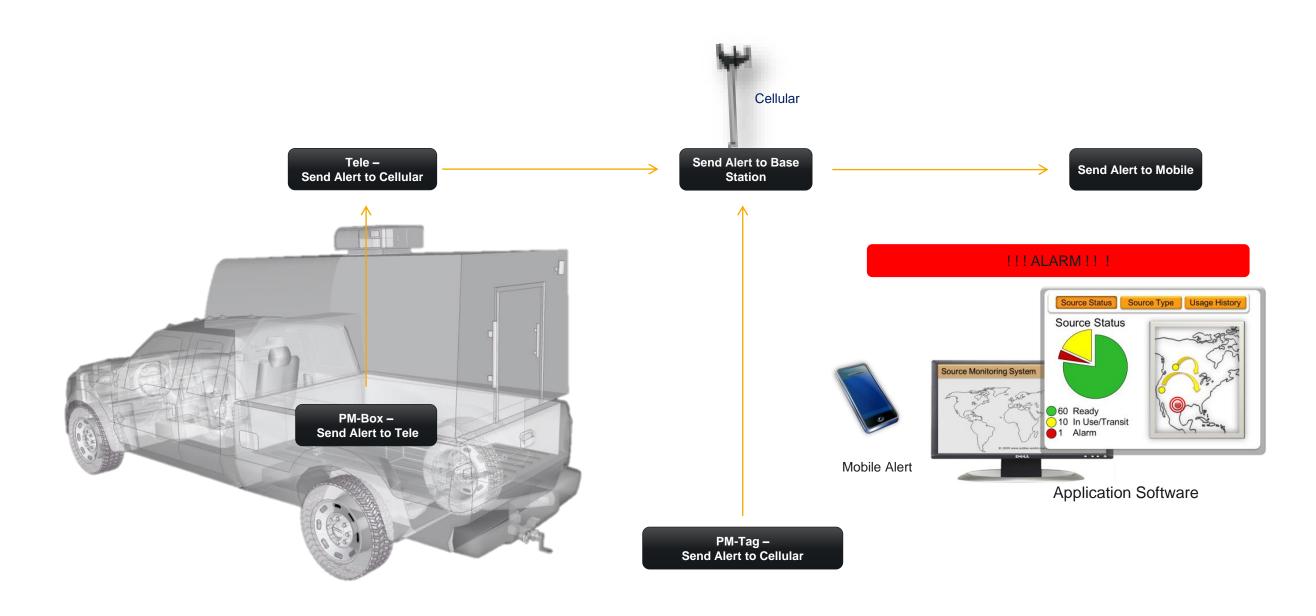


## **Industrial Radiography Source Tracking Technology**



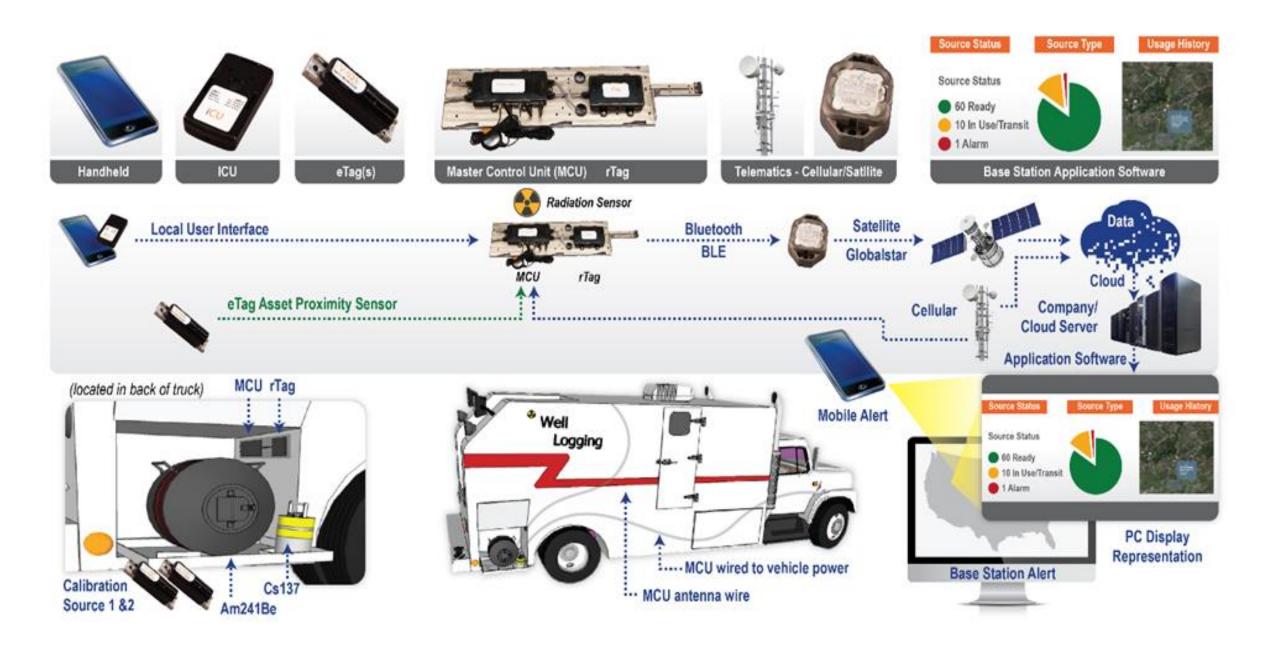


## **IR Alarm Communication Link**



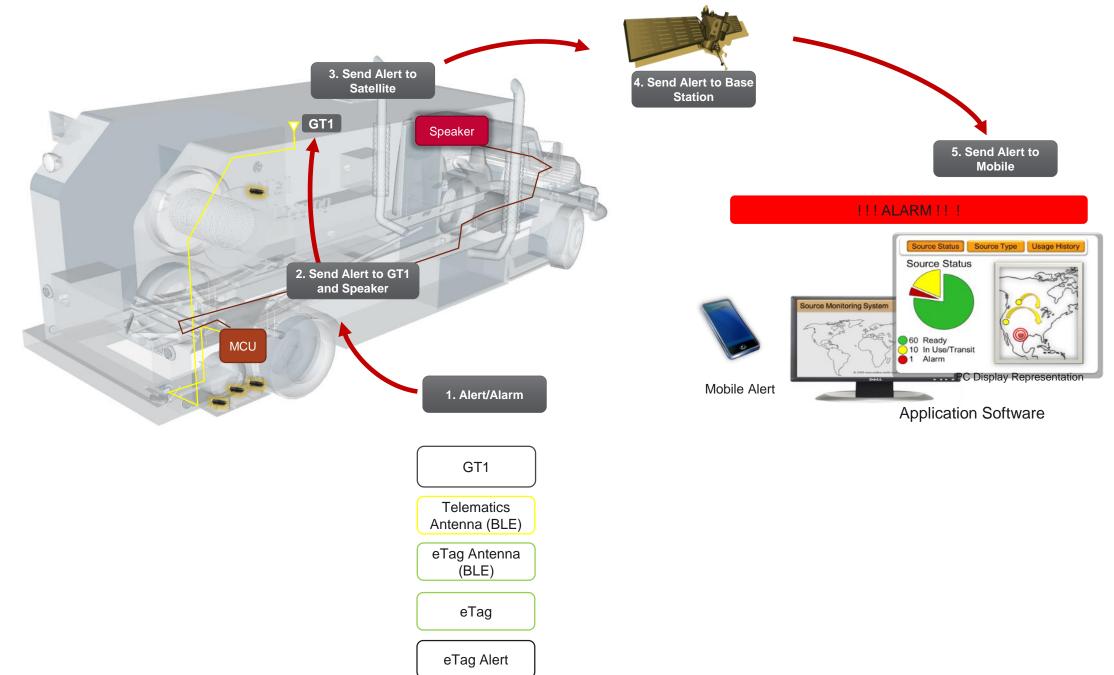


## Well Logging Source Tracking Technology



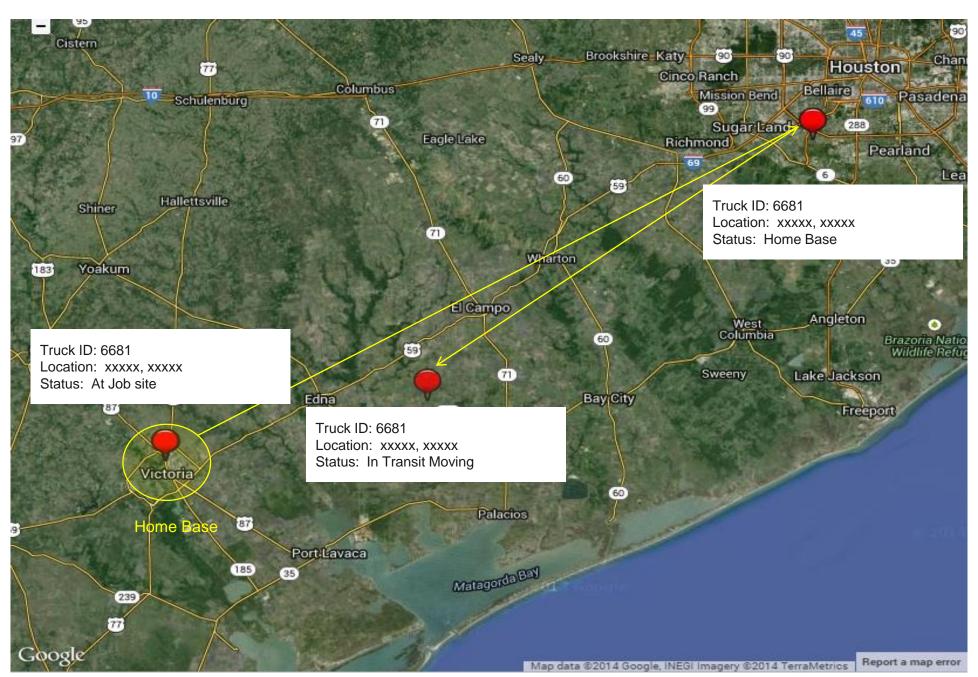


## **WL Alarm Communications Link**





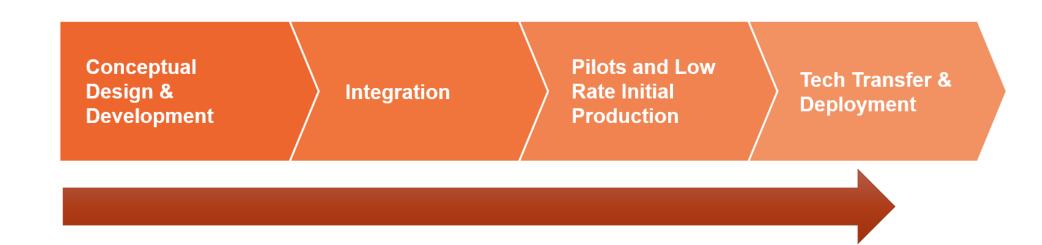
## MSTS Reports Vehicle Location and Source Status





# Transitioning from System Development & Testing to Tech Transfer and Deployments

- Establish commercial partners
- Implement an overall manufacturing and distribution plan
- Determine responsibilities
  - Manufacturing, integration, site assessment, installation, data management, user training, quality control, maintenance, sustainment





### **Summary**

- Mobile sources and their use create unique technological, operational, and security challenges.
- Mobile sources continue to be at risk of loss or theft.
- The MSTS solution improves security of mobile sources through enhanced situational awareness.
- Industry adoption of MSTS will reduce likelihood of this material ending up in the wrong hands and used for malicious intent



## Thank you

