

# ZenaTech's ZenaDrone Prepares IQ Quad Land Survey Drone for Blue UAS Certification and U.S. Defense Readiness

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("ZenaTech"), a technology solution provider specializing in AI (Artificial Intelligence) drone, Drone as a Service (DaaS), enterprise SaaS, and Quantum Computing solutions, today announces that its U.S.-based subsidiary, ZenaDrone, is preparing to initiate the Blue UAS (Uncrewed Aircraft System) certification application for its IQ Quad drone to enable future U.S. defense agency and government procurement

list inclusion. The IQ Quad, which was announced earlier this year, is an autonomous AI drone purpose-built for fast and accurate land surveys and geospatial mapping applications.



ZenaDrone prepares its IQ Quad autonomous surveying drone for Blue UAS certification, targeting future U.S. defense and government procurement opportunities.

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Currently it is undergoing flight performance and payload sensor integration testing, as well as finalized bill of material documentation as the company prepares application submission under the Green-to-Blue UAS pathway framework. The Blue UAS conferred by the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) is deemed the most important of the two, opening up a broader range of opportunities for defense agency use.

“Preparing the IQ Quad to enter the Blue UAS certification process is an important step in expanding our portfolio of trusted, NDAA-compliant drone solutions for U.S. government and

defense agency customers,” said CEO Shaun Passley, Ph.D., ZenaTech CEO. “We believe having the Blue UAS certification will offer us opportunities to sell the IQ Quad to U.S. government organizations such as the Army Corps of Engineers, the Air Force Civil Engineer Center, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the Bureau of Land Management, all of which require secure, high-precision geospatial mapping and land surveying capabilities. As federal agencies continue to modernize critical infrastructure and engineering operations, we believe this drone is well-positioned to deliver the mission-critical data and operational efficiency increasingly in demand.”



The IQ Quad combines AI-powered autonomy, high-precision geospatial mapping, and secure communications as ZenaTech advances toward Blue UAS certification.

Management believes there are many U.S. government and defense agencies with growing requirements for secure, NDAA-compliant drone solutions to support a variety of applications. As well as land surveying and geospatial mapping, these include terrain modeling, construction planning, airfield and base mapping, utility and asset management, environmental monitoring, and disaster response needs. The IQ Quad platform capability to quickly and efficiently collect high-resolution geospatial data positions it to support mission-critical engineering, installation management, and infrastructure modernization initiatives across the U.S. defense ecosystem.

The IQ Quad is a compact multi-mission quadcopter designed for rapid deployment and precision geospatial data collection across government and infrastructure environments. The platform is engineered for advanced mapping, land surveying, terrain modeling, infrastructure inspection, construction planning, and environmental monitoring applications. It features a modular and interchangeable payload architecture for high-resolution imaging, AI-assisted autonomy, and secure communications capabilities designed for field operations in complex environments.

ZenaDrone currently has three drone platforms in the multi-month process of evaluation for the Green-to-Blue UAS certification administered by the Association for Uncrewed Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI) and the DoD. The certification process, in part, verifies that advanced cybersecurity controls and supply-chain documentation are in place, with only domestic or cleared suppliers. Blue UAS certification establishes National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) compliance and clears a “made in America” drone manufacturer for direct procurement by U.S. defense agencies, federal departments, and allied government buyers.

#### About ZenaTech

ZenaTech, Inc. (Nasdaq: ZENA) (FSE: 49Q) (BMV: ZENA) is a technology company that specializes in AI autonomy drone platforms to transform industrial, government, and defense sectors. Its

subsidiaries include drone manufacturing through ZenaDrone, a global Drone as a Service (DaaS) business, and a separate enterprise SaaS division of multiple software brands. The Company is executing an acquisition-led DaaS roll-up strategy to digitize and automate legacy service industries like land surveys and inspections, driving drone-based scalable, recurring revenue growth. With an operating footprint spanning North America, Europe, the Middle East, and Asia, ZenaTech is advancing AI drones for agriculture and logistics, as well as ISR, cargo, and counter-UAS applications for U.S. defense and NATO allies. The company is investing in next-generation technologies, including drone swarms, quantum computing, and advanced AI autonomy to capture long-term opportunities in key markets through its R&D initiatives.

#### About ZenaDrone

ZenaDrone, a subsidiary of ZenaTech, develops and manufactures AI-powered multifunction autonomous drone solutions integrating machine learning, predictive analytics, and advanced computing technologies, for government, defense, and industrial applications. This includes multifunctional drones for surveying, inspections, logistics, security, and defense applications. Its product portfolio includes the ZenaDrone 1000 for ISR defense and specialized cargo, the IQ Nano for indoor inventory management and security, the IQ Square for outdoor inspections and maintenance, the IQ Quad for land surveying, and the IQ Aqua for underwater applications. ZenaDrone operates three global manufacturing facilities in Arizona, Dubai, and Taiwan, and is advancing counter-UAS maritime interceptor drones and an integrated defense system.

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