Geomagic Joins FARO Diversity Program to Deliver Seamless DSSP Solutions

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LAKE MARY, Fla. and RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C., Nov 22, 2005 /PRNewswire- FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Geomagic, the leader in digital shape sampling and processing (DSSP), has become a member of FARO Technologies' Software Diversity Program. FARO is the world's single source for a complete line of portable CAM2 solutions.

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Geomagic's commitment to the new program ensures that customers will benefit from fully integrated solutions supporting FARO's goals of portability, user friendliness and affordability. It is the logical extension of joint integration projects, such as Geomagic's plug-ins that provide real-time processing and graphics display of physical objects as they are captured by a FARO Laser ScanArm.

"The strategic alliance with Geomagic under the Software Diversity Program will continue our joint quest to deliver the best possible level of integration, convenience and ease of use for our customers," FARO Co-founder and CEO Simon Raab said.

The program provides the opportunity to deliver three specific benefits to FARO and Geomagic customers:

- * Completely integrated solutions that offer users new levels of speed, simplicity and functionality.
- * Support tools that are easily understood and convey a look and feel familiar to FARO users.
- * Consolidated training for a single, seamless solution.

"Geomagic is delighted to join the FARO Software Diversity Program," Ping Fu, president and CEO of Geomagic, said. "We share the common goal of delivering the best customer experience and making technology simple to buy, learn and use. FARO is a market leader in providing DSSP solutions that deliver unprecedented ROI for mass customization, computer-aided measurement and inspection, reverse-engineering and other manufacturing processes."

"We see this as a win-win proposition for our customers," FARO President and COO Jay Freeland said. "FARO offers a single-source solution with fully integrated software, training and support."

FARO is a measurement systems member of the Geomagic Alliance Program. GAP partners benefit from coordinated sales, marketing and support activities that help them accelerate implementation of DSSP within existing design, engineering, inspection and manufacturing environments.

About FARO's Software Diversity Program (SDP)

FARO's SDP partners benefit from integration and joint selling through FARO's worldwide sales force, as well as having access to FARO's development teams in order to improve interfaces, make the integration seamless, and achieve a higher level of coordination with its hardware and software products. By recognizing opportunities in the software marketplace that are a good match for various application needs, FARO can better provide customers with the best possible alternatives to its native CAM2 Measure X.

About Geomagic - the DSSP Leader

Geomagic (http://www.geomagic.com) simplifies digital shape sampling and processing (DSSP), enabling customers to accelerate their design-build cycles and ensure quality at every step. More than 4,000 professionals in industries such as automotive, aerospace, medical devices and consumer products use Geomagic software and services. They benefit from unprecedented time savings, fast learning curves, increased productivity, and high levels of user satisfaction. Geomagic has headquarters in Research Triangle Park, N.C., subsidiaries in Europe and Asia, and distributors worldwide.

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