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FARO Presents New Color Laser Scanner LS

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LAKE MARY, Fla., March 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- FARO Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: FARO), the world market leader in portable computer-aided measurement arm and laser tracker sales, today announced that it has developed a new solution for 3-D laser scanning in color.

"FARO now offers a uniquely professional and economical solution for color laser scanning," FARO President and CEO Jay Freeland said. "Color scanning is much more informative, realistic and has a greater emotional impact compared to typical black-and-white scans. Now that we can provide it at such a small relative cost, any serious user will now be able to reap the benefits."

The FARO Laser Scanner LS is a portable, computerized measurement device that scans, digitally recreates and records all of an object or area's dimensions, creating what looks like a "photograph" on the computer screen -- but in 3-D. The captured data can be used to create a digital model for inspection, reverse-engineering, CAD-to-part comparison, factory planning, or investigations for industries ranging from power, process and piping to forensics, surveying and historical preservation.

"Scans are usually in black and white because adding high-quality, color information to millions of 3-D pixels was difficult and time consuming," Dr. Bernd-Dietmar Becker, FARO's Director for Marketing & Product Management for Laser Scanning, said. "The new LS color series delivers high-quality, high-speed color scanning with minimal effort and cost, which gives it huge market potential."

When combined with the specially calibrated Color Bracket, new Nikon D200 and FARO Scene v4.1 software, the FARO Laser Scanner LS provides:

- High-speed capture of 50 million color pixels in only 2.5 minutes
- Minimized parallax errors common with competing systems
- Automatic white balance
- Automatic color capture
- Automatic color overlay of 3-D pixels
- Easy color handling
- 10 mega-pixel color vs. 6 of the previous version

"This gives the LS an impressive advantage over conventional solutions, which are slower, more costly and deliver lower quality," Dr. Becker said.

For more information on the new color Laser Scanner LS available in April 2007, visit <http://www.faro.com> or call 800.736.0234 for a customized demonstration.

About FARO

With approximately 13,000 installations and 6,100 customers globally, FARO Technologies, Inc. designs, develops, and markets portable, computerized measurement devices and software used to create digital models -- or to perform evaluations against an existing model -- for anything requiring highly detailed 3-D measurements, including part and assembly inspection, factory planning and asset documentation, as well as specialized applications ranging from surveying, recreating accident sites and crime scenes to digitally preserving historical sites.

FARO's technology increases productivity by dramatically reducing the amount of on-site measuring time, and the various industry-specific software packages enable users to process and present their results quickly and more effectively.

Principal products include the world's best-selling portable measurement arm -- the FaroArm; the world's best-selling laser tracker -- the FARO Laser Tracker X and Xi; the FARO Laser ScanArm; FARO Laser Scanner LS; the FARO Gage, Gage-PLUS and PowerGAGE; and the CAM2 family of advanced CAD-based measurement and reporting software. FARO Technologies is ISO-9001 certified and ISO-17025 laboratory registered.

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