FARO's New CAM2 Q Software Adds Scanning to Award-Winning Abilities

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LAKE MARY, Fla., Sept. 9 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- FARO Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: FARO), the world leader in portable computer-aided measurement hardware and software, announced it has enhanced it's award-winning metrology software, CAM2 Q, which now has the ability to collect scan data.

"CAM2 Q 1.0 hit the scene earlier this year and earned a Reader's Choice Award as the Best Quality/Inspection Software," FARO President and CEO Jay Freeland said. "Now, FARO Laser ScanArm users can also benefit from the freedom, efficiency and simplicity of the industry's fastest software."

Built with a best-of-breed CAD translator and Parasolid CAD engine, CAM2 Q allows the ScanArm to automatically recognize geometric features, such as holes and planes, for non-contact inspection.

In addition, CAM2 Q 1.1 allows all users to:

-- Install and measure with FARO hardware right out of the box

-- Measure with multiple FaroArms and FARO Laser Trackers simultaneously - - even on the same location

-- Customize the windows and toolbar layouts based on the priorities of the project -- not a preset format -- and save multiple users' choices so they can complete the job in the fewest number of mouse clicks possible

- -- Quickly create, edit and run programs in the same window rather than opening a new application or separate screen
- -- Create measurement/operation sequences that guides other users via easy-to-follow, on-screen instructions
- -- Instantly see exact dimensions and geometric properties -- no measurement software lag
- -- Easily change/convert between different measurement units or coordinate systems at any time without re-measuring
- -- Add, change or measure features at any time -- in any order -- without being restricted to a preset order of operation
- -- Display, delete, or re-measure every measured point without starting over if new features are added to a prototype
- -- Certify that their geometry calculations are accurate to one half micron; 500 times thinner than the width of a human hair
- -- Create customized reports in Microsoft Word and Excel, HTML, PDF, and other formats

"CAM2 Q 1.1 proves that capability and functionality doesn't have to be synonymous with complexity," FARO Global VP of Product Management Natalia Warren said. "Now you can use the ScanArm to eliminate user variability during inspection, while FaroArm and FARO Tracker users get even faster results with confidence."

The English-language version will be available September 15, 2008, then translated in 10 languages later this year.

About FARO

With approximately 17,000 installations and 7,800 customers globally, FARO Technologies, Inc. designs, develops, and markets portable, computerized measurement & imaging 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 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; the FARO Laser ScanArm; FARO Photon Laser Scanners; the FARO Gage, Gage-PLUS and PowerGAGE; and the CAM2 Q family of advanced CAD-based measurement and reporting software. FARO Technologies is ISO-9001 certified and ISO-17025 laboratory registered.

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