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PaR Systems Purchases SSi Robotics

Acquisition launches new Life Sciences Automation product line for PaR Systems

Saint Paul/Minneapolis, MN – July 21, 2006 – PaR Systems, Inc. announces today the acquisition of SSi Robotics, a provider of laboratory automation products and life science equipment development and manufacturing services, based in Tustin, California.

PaR Systems provides automation and material-handling solutions to a variety of industries including aerospace, military, government laboratories, medical, and manufacturing. SSi Robotics will become the core of PaR Systems' new Life Sciences Automation product line focusing on biotechnology, laboratory, medical and pharmaceutical applications. The acquisition gives PaR Systems access to the life-science market and supplies SSi Robotics with expanded automation and robotics expertise to offer these customers. Paul Smith, founder of SSi Robotics, was named the general manager for the new business.

"SSi Robotics specializes in laboratory automation, a specialized market requiring the ability to integrate multiple instruments and intricate automation systems," said Brian Behm, president of PaR Systems, Robotics. "SSi Robotics has an excellent reputation with top biotechnology, medical device and pharmaceutical firms that we intend to build on."

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PaR Systems purchased SSi Robotics from their bankruptcy sale process. PaR Systems will retain the SSi Robotics facility in California.

About PaR Systems

For 45 years, PaR Systems has provided automation and material-handling solutions through specialized robotics, material handling, and crane equipment applications to improve customer quality, safety and productivity. Headquartered in Shoreview, Minnesota, PaR Systems serves highly specialized industries including aerospace, marine, semiconductor, food and beverage, military, government, research, semiconductor, medical, laboratory and manufacturing. For more information, visit www.par.com.

About SSi Robotics

SSi Robotics provides laboratory automation products as well as equipment development and manufacturing services for biotechnology, medical device and pharmaceutical OEMs and end-users. Based in Tustin, California, SSi Robotics supports several Fortune clients including Pfizer, Cardinal Health and 3M. For more information, visit www.ssirobotics.com.

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