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Methods Machine Tools Enters 3D Print Market with full 3D Systems Line

- Methods Machine Tools partners with 3DS to expand its manufacturing equipment portfolio to 3D printing
- 3DS' Direct Metal Printers (DMP) enhance Methods precision machine tool solutions

ROCK HILL, South Carolina, October 20, 2015 - <u>3D Systems</u> (NYSE:DDD)

announced today it has entered into a partner agreement with <u>Methods Machine Tools</u> <u>Inc.</u>, a leading supplier of innovative precision machine tools and automation for manufacturing. Under the new agreement, Methods will immediately begin to offer 3DS' full line of professional and production 3D printers and materials to its customers to enhance its portfolio of leading-edge precision machine tools and solutions for traditional manufacturing with advanced 3D printing solutions for additive manufacturing.

Methods brings over 55 years of experience in machine tools and solutions, in addition to extensive expertise in applications, engineering, service and support. To spearhead its entrance into the 3D printer market, Methods will add dedicated 3D printing sales, application engineering and support teams to its seven regional offices throughout the U.S., and will create a state-of-the-art 3D printing showroom with a range of capabilities in each location.

Methods will put a strong strategic focus on 3DS' Direct Metal Printers (DMP) to deliver enhanced solutions to their customers. By leveraging their expertise in metal precision machining and applications across industries such as aerospace, medical, automotive and electronics, Methods will bring advanced digital manufacturing solutions through DMP to its customer base of over 30,000 companies.



3DS and Methods Machine Tools executives enter into partner agreement for 3DS' line of professional and production 3D printers. At center left is Bryon Deysher, President and CEO of Method Machine Tools, and at center right is Mark Wright, Chief Operating Officer, 3DS.

"We selected 3D Systems as our partner to bring 3D digital fabrication solutions to our customers based on their industry leadership, wide range of solutions, continuous innovation and support," said Bryon Deysher, President & CEO of Methods Machine Tools, Inc. "We are excited to expand our portfolio of precision machine tool solutions to bring additive manufacturing, and especially Direct Metal Printing, to our customers to help them meet the most demanding applications."

"We are excited to partner with Methods to

bring our full range of 3D printers to their customer base to complement their machining and automation capabilities," said Mark Wright, Chief Operating Officer, 3DS. "Methods brings a deep understanding of metalworking manufacturing applications and a strong commitment to service and support, and will extend our coverage to new customers looking to add digital fabrication solutions to their products."

Methods will showcase 3DS' solutions at its upcoming TechFest 2015 "Manufacturing the Future" event, to be held November 4 - 5, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at its corporate headquarters and technology center in Sudbury, MA. The event will also feature the latest in machine tool technology and automation, with over 30 machines under power with live demonstrations. More information and a link to registration can be found at http://www.methodsmachine.com/techfest2015

Learn more about 3DS' commitment to manufacturing the future today at <u>www.3dsystems.com</u>.

About Methods Machine Tools

Methods Machine Tools, Inc. has been a leading supplier of precision machine tools, automation and accessories for over 55 years, providing extensive applications engineering support, installation, parts, service and training through a network of large state-of-the-art technology centers and dealers throughout North America. For more information, visit www.methodsmachine.com.

About 3D Systems

3D Systems provides the most advanced and comprehensive 3D digital design and fabrication solutions available today, including 3D printers, print materials and cloud-sourced custom parts. Its powerful ecosystem transforms entire industries by empowering professionals and consumers everywhere to bring their ideas to life using its vast material selection, including plastics, metals, ceramics and edibles. 3DS' leading personalized medicine capabilities include end-to-end simulation, training and planning, and printing of surgical instruments and devices for personalized surgery and patient specific medical and dental devices. Its democratized 3D digital design, fabrication and inspection products provide seamless interoperability and incorporate the latest immersive computing technologies. 3DS' products and services disrupt traditional methods, deliver improved results and empower its customers to manufacture the future now.

Leadership through Innovation and Technology

- 3DS invented 3D printing with its Stereolithography (SLA) printer and was the first to commercialize it in 1989.
- 3DS invented Selective Laser Sintering (SLS) printing and was the first to commercialize it in 1992.
- 3DS invented and commercialized its patented, ground-breaking force-feedback haptic devices in 1993.
- 3DS invented the ColorJet Printing (CJP) class of 3D printers and was the first to

commercialize 3D powder-based systems in 1994.

- 3DS invented MultiJet Printing (MJP) printers and was the first to commercialize it in 1996.
- 3DS pioneered virtual surgical simulation (VSS[™]) and virtual surgical planning (VSP[®]) as part of its portfolio of leading 3D healthcare products and services.
- 3DS pioneered scan-based design with the release of the patented Geomagic Design X (XOR) software in 2006.

Today its comprehensive range of 3D printers is the industry's benchmark for production-grade manufacturing in aerospace, automotive, patient specific medical device and a variety of consumer, electronic and fashion accessories.

More information on the company is available at <u>www.3dsystems.com</u>.

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