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Candelis, Inc., Expands ImageGrid™ Server Appliance Product Line with ImageGrid 200 and ImageGrid 700

New DICOM Standard Image Server Appliances Target Single Modality Imaging Clinics and Multi-location Imaging Centers

IRVINE, Calif. – March 13, 2006 – Candelis, Inc., today announced the addition of the ImageGrid™ 200 to its ImageGrid product line, and the general availability of the ImageGrid 700. The ImageGrid is a line of fully-integrated, Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) industry-standard server appliances that speed digital image access and routing, simplify image management, and provide highly-reliable storage and archive capabilities.

Purpose-built to meet the storage and archival requirements of single modality imaging clinics and multi-location imaging facilities supporting several modalities, the ImageGrid 200 and ImageGrid 700 server appliances are immediately available from Candelis for customer installation.

“With the introduction of the ImageGrid 200, the general availability of the ImageGrid 700, and the ImageGrid 1000 introduced in November, Candelis now offers a full lineup of server appliances to address storage and archival needs of multiple market segments,” said Larry Kubo, vice president of marketing, Candelis, Inc. “The ImageGrid product line stands alone as the only cost-effective, DICOM-standard server appliance meeting the diverse budget requirements of stand-alone and multi-location imaging centers and clinics – while still offering high-end features, such as embedded Picture Archiving System (PACS) functionalities and Web-based image viewing.”

ImageGrid 200 DICOM Server Appliance

The ImageGrid 200 establishes a new entry-level DICOM-standard storage category by combining an industry-proven, enterprise-class operating system with a compact casing and versatile tower design.

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Purpose-built for imaging clinics maintaining a single modality, such as cardiology, orthopedic, chiropractic and other imaging acquisition practices, the ImageGrid 200 affords cost-effective image management with robust hardware configuration using best-of-breed components and a Web-based user interface. The system features storage capacities of 250 or 500 gigabyte mirrored disk configurations and embedded PACS functionality that replaces complex servers and applications.

The ImageGrid 200's five-minute network installation occurs automatically using Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), providing transparent interoperability with DICOM-compliant system, modalities and image viewing applications. Built-in redundancy functionality with hot-swap RAID-based disk drives results in maximum security and reliability while a slot-loaded DVD-R drive provides fast disc burning for image distribution and backup.

The ImageGrid 200 server appliance is available at the retail price of \$4,999 USD.

ImageGrid 700 DICOM Server Appliance

Ideal for imaging centers with multiple locations, the ImageGrid 700 serves as an "Image Delivery Gateway" for all DICOM-compliant imaging modalities with sophisticated image workflow management capabilities enabled by its grid architecture and replication engine.

Installing in minutes using DHCP, the ImageGrid 700 hardware is pre-loaded with the Candelis appliance operating system which includes a high-value feature-set of customizable routing, replication for off-site radiologists and referring physicians, and a Web-based self-monitoring system.

The ImageGrid 700 is characterized by a compact rack-mount design that requires minimal rack space but delivers the highly-reliable RAID Level 5 protection for optimal fault tolerance, peak performance and continuous availability of clinical images and associated metadata. The system is available in 1 terabyte (TB) and 2 TB raw storage capacity configurations, and features embedded PACS functionality that eliminates the need for additional PACS servers and applications, and a slot-loaded DVD-R drive.

The ImageGrid 200 and 700 server appliances both meet the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) patient record retention requirements with automated, rule-based and secure routing of digital medical images, and offers advanced replication features to address disaster recovery planning and implementation.

The ImageGrid product line is available in the United States and select international markets through Candelis' growing network of distributors and resellers. Candelis is continuing to evaluate established domestic and international VARs for additional market representation.

About Candelis, Inc.

Irvine, Calif.-based Candelis, Inc., develops, manufactures and markets DICOM storage server appliances for the archiving, management and routing of digital medical images. Candelis products are targeted at the growing need for image management in the medical vertical market.

For more information, please visit www.candelis.com.