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## **Candelis Expands Domestic Distribution and Launches International Network in Europe and Asia**

### ***Company's Strategic Partnership with DicomSolutions, Inc., Nets MMCi PACSnet and Diagnostic Imaging as Newest ImageGrid Customers***

**IRVINE, Calif. – April 28, 2006** – Candelis, Inc., a medical imaging informatics company, today announced expanded availability of its ImageGrid™ storage server appliance product line through a growing network of U.S. distributors and new distributor relationships in The Netherlands, China and India. Additionally, two new ImageGrid customers were announced through the company's strategic partnership with Aliso Viejo, Calif.-based DicomSolutions, Inc.: MMCi PACSnet, Inc. of College Station, Texas; and Diagnostic Imaging of Augusta, Ga.

“With our expanding distribution networks in the U.S. and select international markets, Candelis is now poised to make the ImageGrid a true global product,” said Hossein Pourmand, vice president of business development, Candelis, Inc. “Our new U.S. and international customers are quickly discovering that the ImageGrid not only delivers cost-effective, Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) industry-standard image management, but also significantly lower system management and administration costs – while meeting stringent HIPAA requirements for electronic healthcare transactions and code standards.”

### **Expanding Domestic and International Distribution**

Candelis' expanding domestic distribution network now includes ten U.S. distributors and partnerships, which include DicomSolutions, Inc., a division of 52 West, Inc., and a leading reseller for DICOM solutions; and Image Logix Technology Solutions, Inc., of Austin, Texas, a technology solutions provider for the medical imaging and legal field.

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“With more than 15 years of medical experience, DicomSolutions, Inc., is focused on providing digital data and content solution for archiving, storage and distribution,” said Chad Hutchinson, president of DicomSolutions, Inc. “Candelis is unmatched in the medical imaging industry with its ImageGrid product line. The ImageGrid has proven to be an extremely versatile solution for our image center and clinic customers who require a cost-effective, highly-scalable image archive solution with high-end Picture Archiving Communications (PACS) capabilities.”

In addition to U.S. distribution expansion, Candelis will offer its ImageGrid server appliance product line through new international distributors Maxcom NV/Stebis BV of The Netherlands, Whitney International, Ltd., of Beijing, China, and Stephen D’Couto, a reseller based in Bangalore, India.

“Under current world economic conditions, the Chinese healthcare market holds the greatest international potential for Candelis and the ImageGrid product line,” said Nat Whitney, president of Whitney International, Ltd. “Together with Candelis, we are intent on delivering cost-effective, feature-rich image management solutions that meet the market and regulatory requirements of China’s booming healthcare industry.”

Candelis is also evaluating established international distributors for market representation in Japan and South America.

### **New ImageGrid Customers in Diverse Practices**

Working with DicomSolutions to implement Candelis’ DICOM storage server appliance, customers ranging from online digital remote image access and archiving to diagnostic medical imaging services are choosing the ImageGrid.

MMCi PACSnet, Inc., a leading provider of cost-savings programs for U.S. rural hospitals, is currently employing the ImageGrid as the storage server for its PACSnet service – which provides subscribers with HIPAA-compliant online diagnostic image storage and retrieval.

“Our goal at MMCi is to meet the needs of rural hospitals and medical centers by providing an alternative to the large capital investment and staff necessary to implement a local PACS,” said Robert Stabell, president of MMCi PACSnet, Inc. “Thanks to the ImageGrid 1000, MMCi can now provide a service that meets healthcare regulatory compliance for data storage and archive, as well as 24/7 online access and viewing rivaling the most costly PACS solutions.”

Diagnostic Imaging has installed the ImageGrid 1000 at its new medical imaging facility in Augusta to handle its high-volume cardiac computed tomography (CT) image storage and archive, and provide optional features that enable online viewing/sharing of images with its local referring university radiology department.

“The ImageGrid storage server appliance allows us to take full advantage of our advanced CT scanner with volumetric imaging without concerns for storage capacity or meeting image archival requirements,” said William MacDonald, chief operating officer of Diagnostic Imaging. “Moreover, the online viewing capabilities will enable us to share medical images with referring physicians who depend on immediate access to this information for timely diagnosis and treatment planning.”

**About Candelis, Inc.**

Candelis is a medical imaging informatics company, which develops, manufactures and markets DICOM storage server appliances for the archiving, management and routing of digital medical images. The ImageGrid™ product line is ideal for imaging centers and small hospitals and provides archiving capacities ranging from 1 terabyte (TB) to over 100 TB and is capable of receiving images directly from any DICOM modality.

Based in Irvine, Calif., Candelis is a division of Procom Technology and has leveraged Procom’s 17-year history in enterprise storage solutions and Network Attached Storage (NAS) to develop its highly reliable, feature rich and yet cost-effective DICOM storage server appliances.

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