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allgaier instrumente medical selects Barco's endoscopic displays for its leading A-line endoscopy system

Kortrijk, Belgium, 17 November 2010. Medical imaging specialist Barco is proud to announce a new partnership with allgaier instrumente medical, a global surgical instrument manufacturing company. allgaier instrumente medical will offer Barco's line of leading endoscopic displays to their global customer base. The displays will be integrated into the company's leading A-line systems which are renowned for their outstanding quality and reliability.

With over 50 years of experience, allgaier instrumente medical are a leader in the development and production of surgical instruments and medical devices and are active in more than 80 countries. Through this new partnership, allgaier instrumente medical will integrate Barco's MDSC surgical displays in their endoscopic product portfolio. The displays will be mounted onto their brand new fully equipped ENDO Trolleys, designed for medical specialties such as laparoscopy, gynecology and hysteroscopy, urology, arthroscopy and ENT.

"We know Barco's reputation in the medical market is solid," comments Armin Maier, Director Marketing & Sales/Product Management (MIS), allgaier instrumente medical. "The complexity of today's medical procedures places high demands on technology and therefore we need the highest quality products available. Following two successful test projects, we decided to further expand our actual product range with Barco's high-end endoscopy displays."

"Their dedication and extensive research are reflected in the highly efficient design and extremely high quality standard to their products, says Horst Nowak, sales manager DACH for Barco's medical imaging division. "allgaier instrumente medical has an excellent worldwide reputation and it is a privilege for us to be able to join forces with them. This partnership will allow us to reach a wider customer base in this market segment."

Barco's MDSC family of endoscopy displays are designed to provide unsurpassed precision, image quality and reliability while meeting the specific safety and infection control requirements of the integrated operating theater. The 19 and 24 inch displays are a versatile visualization solution for endoscopic cameras, room and boom cameras and offer a wide range of connectivity options. The high-definition MDRC endoscopic displays deliver excellent contrast and improved color depth perception which aids hand-view coordination and detailed discussion during procedures under high ambient light conditions.

About allgaier instrumente medical

Since the foundation of our company in 1953, quality has been at the forefront of our philosophy. Right from the beginning of our involvement in the development and production of surgical instruments and medical devices, we have always followed the maxim that only the best quality products should be allowed to leave our plant. As our products are used on the human body, quality is of the utmost significance. The constant growth of our company has given credence to our philosophy. And we will continue to work with quality as our top priority. It is vital to keep a

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close watch on the market. We are in constant contact with our customers. This makes it possible for us to optimize all aspects of our product range. Our experience, dedication and research over the years are reflected in the highly efficient design and extremely high-quality standard of our products. The expertise of our specialist staff has played an extremely important role in this process. For this reason, we place a high value on qualification and further training of our staff, as well as on a continuous exchange of knowledge and experience with colleagues.

About Barco

Barco, a global technology company, designs and develops visualization products for a variety of selected professional markets. Barco has its own facilities for Sales & Marketing, Customer Support, R&D and Manufacturing in Europe, North America and Asia Pacific. Barco (NYSE Euronext Brussels: BAR) is active in more than 90 countries with about 3,300 employees worldwide. Barco posted sales of 638 million euro in 2009.

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