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Vanguard HS SLS system from 3D Systems produces parts in nylon and metal.

3D Systems Announces the Installation of SLS Systems at the Renault F1 Team Advanced Digital Manufacturing Centre

VALENCIA, Calif., April 13, 2004 - 3D Systems Corporation (Nasdaq: TDSC) announced the installation of two Vanguard™ HS SLS® systems at the Renault F1 Team Advanced Digital Manufacturing (ADMSM) Centre in Enstone, England. The addition of the SLS (selective laser sintering) systems enables the team to directly manufacture end-use parts for the R24 racecar.

Renault F1 Team produces parts on the SLS system for the cooling system, the electrical system and various body parts of the Renault F1 R24. The Team plans to commence manufacturing a large quantity of parts for the racecar on the new SLS

systems in-house, increasing production speeds by at least 30%, and realizing significant time and cost savings.

The Renault ADM Centre supports all Formula 1 design, wind tunnel, full-scale applications and low-run production parts for the Renault F1 Team racecar. In addition to the two newly commissioned Vanguard HS SLS systems,



Parts produced in the ADM Centre are directly mounted to the wind tunnel model for testing.

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the ADM Centre employs four SLA[®] 7000 systems, an OptoForm[™] direct composite manufacturing (DCM) system and a ThermoJet[®] printer.

“The addition of the SLS system capacity to the ADM Centre forms part of our long-term vision for rapid direct manufacturing,” said John Mardle, Renault F1 Team Operations Director. “Rapid direct manufacturing plays a significant role in the future production of our racing cars, as we strive to reduce lead times further and guarantee the best possible level of production response time. Through our collaboration with 3D Systems, we benefited from significant advancements in material developments in the field of stereolithography. Using our new SLS system capabilities, we plan to push the technology and applications envelope further.”

“Understanding the importance of speed to the racing world, 3D Systems and the Renault F1 Team partnered to create unique rapid design and manufacturing capabilities enabling the Team to dramatically reduce their design cost and time,” said Abe Reichental, 3D Systems’ Chief Executive Officer. “Working in a fiercely competitive environment, the Renault F1 Team continually pushes the use of solid imaging technology through rigid material testing, to direct manufacturing of production parts for wind tunnel testing to the manufacturing of parts used directly on the racecar. By working closely with leading edge partners like the Renault F1 Team, understanding their needs, wants and operating environment, we are able to deliver to our partners an expert solution that enables their success, improves their overall performance and enhances their competitive posture. The opportunity to work closely with innovative partners like Renault F1 Team provides us a glimpse towards a future alternative manufacturing environment for the entire automotive industry and beyond.”

About 3D Systems

Founded in 1986, 3D Systems[®] provides customer-driven solid imaging products and systems solutions that reduce the time and cost of designing products and facilitate direct and indirect manufacturing. Its systems utilize patented proprietary technologies to create physical objects from digital input that can be used in design communication, prototyping, and as functional end-use parts.

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