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FEI Receives $11.5 Million Order From Technical University of Denmark

Seven Systems to Form the Core of DTU's New Center for Electron Nanoscopy and Pave the Way for Advanced Catalyst Research

HILLSBORO, Ore., Nov. 27 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- The Technical University of Denmark (DTU) has placed an $11.5 million dollar order for seven FEI (Nasdaq: FEIC) microscopes that will form the core of the University's new Center for Electron Nanoscopy (CEN). The order represents the largest ever product sale for FEI and includes two Titan(TM) scanning/transmission electron microscopes (S/TEMs), a Tecnai(TM) 20S-Twin TEM, a Helios 600 NanoLab(TM) DualBeam, a Quanta(TM) 200 3D ESEM DualBeam, a Quanta FEG SEM and an Inspect S low-vacuum SEM.

The range of equipment will be utilized for a wide spectrum of advanced research conducted by DTU's researchers and companies that operate at the university. One of the Titan S/TEMs, the world's most powerful commercially- available microscope, will be equipped with an environmental chamber. It will be used for collaboration between DTU and FEI to advance environmental TEM (ETEM) applications for in-situ catalyst observations. Such studies will play an important role in catalyst research and development for alternative fuel cells, environmental catalysis (clean air and water), and petrochemical industries. Some of the equipment will also be used to teach entry level SEM applications for the university's curriculum.

"The Center for Electron Nanoscopy at DTU will bring together some of the world's best nanotechnologists and the most advanced equipment available," commented Dr. Rafal Dunin-Borkowski, director of the new center. "The seven electron microscopes from FEI will provide an outstanding suite of complimentary tools for characterizing new materials. DTU is very pleased to be working with FEI on the use and development of electron microscopy to advance scientific knowledge. Uniquely, one of the Titans at DTU will combine aberration correction and monochromation with the ability to introduce gases into the electron microscope. This will allow catalyst materials to be studied in their working environment with ultimate spatial resolution. Such capabilities are a big step forward for the development of new materials and nanotechnology in general."

"As a global leader in ultra-high resolution and innovative solutions for microscopy, we look forward to working closely with our partners at DTU," said Rob Fastenau, senior vice president and senior executive in Europe for FEI. "Their goal is to accelerate the progress of nanoscience and translate groundbreaking discoveries into new, nano-enabled products. Our ability to collaborate with customers, delivering the most advanced tools coupled with proven applications expertise, has qualified us to support DTU's success."

Installation of the systems is targeted for the second half of 2007 and DTU's Center for Electron Nanoscopy is scheduled to open at the end of 2007.

About FEI

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orders, capabilities and application development. Factors that could affect these forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, failure of any of the tools to perform as anticipated at the customer site, failure to execute on application development plans or failure of the development efforts to yield positive results, possible cancellation of the purchase order and possible failure to manufacture and deliver the tools for shipment as expected. Please also refer to our Form 10-K, Forms 10-Q, Forms 8-K and other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for additional information on these factors and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. FEI assumes no duty to update forward-looking statements.

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