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## **State-of-the-Art Optical Scanning Technology Comes to Pharmaceutical Industry**

*Diamond Machine Werks Adds Batching Systems' Technology to Automation Equipment*

**Prince Frederick, Md. – April 24, 2006** – Clients in the pharmaceutical packaging industry demand perfection from their packaging and filling machines, and understandably so – customers and government regulators require it. Broken tablets, under- or over-filled bottles and misshapen pills are all unacceptable perils on the rapid-fill pharmaceutical and nutraceutical packaging line.

No one appreciates that more than Philippe Maraval, President of Diamond Machine Werks, Inc. (DMW) and Don Wooldridge, President of Batching Systems, Inc. (BSI). The two formed a partnership on March 17, 2006, that will put BSI's optical scanning technology on DMW's electronic tablet counters by the 3rd quarter of this year.

Maraval is confident that the added technology will allow DMW to add a revolutionary electronic tablet counter to the company's already stellar line of pharmaceutical packaging equipment. "This collaboration just made sense to us," said Maraval. "DMW is the leading provider of automated packaging lines and we already have extensive experience in handling pharmaceutical containers. The older, slat-fill technology just doesn't provide the level of accuracy and care that BSI/DMW's optical scanning technology can, especially with the ever-changing shape and fragility of

today's pharmaceutical tablets.”

Wooldridge, who has been creating and selling batching machines for nearly 20 years, says that, while the patented optical scanning technology has applications in many industries, including food, agricultural and hardware, it is an especially perfect fit for the packaging of pharmaceuticals and nutraceuticals. “Nowhere else is accuracy, security and safety more important than in the field of medical packaging,” said Wooldridge. “A mistake in this industry can be extremely costly to both the manufacturer and the end user. The optical scanners that we produce are the best – bar none – at ensuring absolute accuracy in counted products.”

Both Maraval and Wooldridge expect the marriage of their technologies to revolutionize the counting industry and provide a level of efficiency and precision that will help streamline and improve product assembly lines for packaging and filling. With this new collaboration, DMW is now the owner of the optical scanning technology patents and exclusive supplier of that technology to the pharmaceutical and nutraceutical industries. These pharmaceutical systems are manufactured in DMW's state-of-the-art manufacturing facility. BSI will continue to manufacture and sell “non-pharmaceutical” systems to the worldwide market.

Diamond Machines Werks provides custom engineering, manufacturing and integration of automation equipment, as well as installation, service and support of these systems in pharmaceutical, battery and other high-speed assembly applications. The company is based in Arlington Heights, Ill., and has been in operation for nearly 50 years.

Batching Systems, Inc. is a world-class manufacturer of high-speed counting and packaging machines, providing cost-effective solutions for batching and packaging needs in a variety of industries through highly engineered and customized systems. BSI products offer reliable and precise count accuracy while providing maximum operational flexibility. The company is based in Prince Frederick, Md., and has been operating for almost 20 years.

For more information on DMW, or to receive a proposal for your pharmaceutical/nutraceutical automation or tablet counting project, call 847-437-0665, e-mail [sales@dmwautomation.com](mailto:sales@dmwautomation.com) or visit online at [www.dmwautomation.com](http://www.dmwautomation.com).

For more information on BSI and the solutions they provide in non-pharmaceutical high-speed counting applications, call 410-414-8111, e-mail [sales@batchingsystems.com](mailto:sales@batchingsystems.com) or visit online at [www.batchingsystems.com](http://www.batchingsystems.com)

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