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A 2-IN-1 SOLUTION: SIEMENS' LATEST IN HEMO/EP RECORDING SOLUTIONS PROVIDES NEW LEVELS OF FLEXIBILITY TO MANAGE INCREASING DEMANDS OF CATHETERIZATION LABS

AXIOM Sensis XP System Optimizes Cardiology Workflow By Offering a Combo-Solution for Both Hemodynamics and Electrophysiology.

NEW ORLEANS, March 25, 2007 – With an estimated 70 million Americans currently living with cardiovascular disease, the demand for services in the catheterization (“cath”) lab continues to escalate. In fact, an estimated 4.21 million patient cases were performed at 1,970 cardiac cath lab sites in 2006, representing a 9 percent increase from 3.85 million in 2002*. Today, at the 56th Annual Scientific Session of the American College of Cardiology (ACC), Siemens Medical Solutions (booth #2733) introduced the AXIOM Sensis XP – a new generation of integrated recording solutions that increases procedural efficiency, allowing for optimal patient care in the cath lab.

“The cath lab is one of the most crucial points of intervention in diagnosing and treating cardiovascular disease; and as the baby boomer population ages, demand for cath lab services is projected to skyrocket,” said Claus Grill, vice president, Angiography, Fluoroscopy and Radiography Systems, Siemens Medical Solutions. “To meet the demand – and to continue to provide high-quality health care – physicians and administrators must have the necessary tools to help them optimize workflow. The latest generation of the AXIOM Sensis XP can help them make these efficiencies a reality.”

AXIOM Sensis XP combines recording capabilities for both hemodynamics and electrophysiology – a significant departure from traditional cath lab recording functions – to increase efficiency in the collection of patient data acquired before, during and after a cath lab examination. Paramount to its simplicity is the fact that the system does not require a special server to accomplish true combo support.

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The new system creates one-stop registration processing for both hemodynamic and electrophysiological exams, enabling clinicians to switch seamlessly between applications with a “click of the mouse” and without the need for additional set-up.

AXIOM Sensis XP also possesses DICOM compatibility and an HL7 engine to fully integrate into the hospital network. Both the hemodynamic and electrophysiological applications run on one common database and with the *syngo*[®] common user interface, enabling intuitive handling of the system and improving overall departmental efficiency. The system communicates bi-directionally with the AXIOM Artis imaging system for simple data transfer and generates reports automatically, based on customizable templates, integrating database entries and key images. AXIOM Sensis XP is scalable as a single lab or a multilab solution, thereby representing the integrated core of the department with one central database for advanced reporting.

AXIOM Sensis XP offers a high degree of customization, enabling clinicians to tailor the system to their own procedural preferences. Through workflow support programs, predefined activities and reminder functionality creates a “route plan” of standardized process with a high level of flexibility, adapting to the way customers work.

The AXIOM Sensis XP uniquely addresses the growing need for pediatric and applications in the cath lab via pediatric-specific applications and user interfaces created in conjunction with nationally renowned pediatric cardiologists.

Siemens Medical Solutions of Siemens AG (NYSE: SI) is one of the world's largest suppliers to the healthcare industry. The company is known for bringing together innovative medical technologies, healthcare information systems, management consulting, and support services, to help customers achieve tangible, sustainable, clinical and financial outcomes. Recent acquisitions in the area of in-vitro diagnostics – such as Diagnostic Products Corporation and Bayer Diagnostics – mark a significant milestone for Siemens as it becomes the first full service diagnostics company. Employing more than 41,000 people worldwide and operating in over 130 countries, Siemens Medical Solutions reported sales of 8.23 billion EUR, orders of 9.33 billion EUR and group profit of 1.06 billion EUR for fiscal 2006 (Sept. 30). Further information can be found by visiting www.siemens.com/medical.

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