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Third Wave and Liechti Engineering Agree to Cross-Promotional Partnership

MINNEAPOLIS, MN. (9 August 2012) – Software developer Third Wave Systems (USA) and machine tool manufacturer Liechti Engineering AG (Switzerland) have joined forces to promote Third Wave software within the Liechti customer community. The partnership allows Liechti to incorporate Third Wave's NC program optimization software, Production Module, into process setup and machining overviews conducted at its demonstration facility in Langnau. Visitors to the facility identify the appropriate Liechti machine for their needs while also gaining exposure to technologies that could further improve their manufacturing processes, such as Third Wave Production Module. Liechti Engineering has been using Third Wave Production Module for almost a year, recognizing the technology as something that could be beneficial for their customers, as well as customizable to Liechti machine tool capabilities.

"We have absolute confidence in Third Wave's product," said Andreas Finger, Development Projects Lead for Liechti Engineering AG. "We are sure that it is the right toolpath analysis and optimization product for our machines and our customers' applications."

Additional details regarding Liechti's application of Third Wave Production Module will be showcased at the upcoming International Manufacturing Technology Show (IMTS) in Chicago, Illinois (USA), September 10-15, 2012. A Liechti case study will be on display in Third Wave's IMTS booth, E-3229.

ABOUT THIRD WAVE SYSTEMS, INC. Third Wave Systems (www.thirdwavesys.com) is a premier machining computer-aided engineering (CAE) provider. Its modeling products and services are used by progressive companies to dramatically reduce costs of machined components, accelerate design cycles, improve part quality, and get to market faster. This validated material modeling technology gives engineers access to more information than trial-and-error tests, allowing them to make better decisions. Third Wave is headquartered in Minneapolis (USA) with a remote office in Detroit (USA), representation in California (USA), and distributors throughout Europe and Asia.

ABOUT LIECHTI ENGINEERING AG. Liechti Engineering AG (www.liechti.com) is the worldwide market leader for 5- and 6-axis airfoil machining centers, specializing in the construction of machines designed for the production of complex flow profiles. Liechti milling machines reduce machining times more than 30 percent as a result of specific profile machining technology. This high performance is based on development competence and expertise in the

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cutting of materials such as titanium, Inconel, Nimonic and high-alloy steels. Liechti Engineering is a customer-oriented organization with operations worldwide for the supply of standardized and customer-specific products for maximum economic benefit.

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