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BARCO Introduces DIGITAL SCRIBE Workstation for RGB Recording

EURONAVAL, Le Bourget, France, 21 October 2002 – BarcoView introduces DIGITAL SCRIBE, its newest workstation which offers a unique set of compression techniques for effective recording of RGB outputs on storage media.

The Barco DIGITAL SCRIBE workstation contains a PCI form factor graphics recorder board that converts RGB data combined with radar and video into a compressed digital stream of data. The compression algorithm is Barco proprietary and is downward compatible with the MPEG2 standard. The stored images can be played back later for review and analysis.

The DIGITAL SCRIBE is available in a stand-alone 19" rack-mount chassis or as a single-slot PCI board to be integrated into an existing system and is designed to operate like a VCR inserted between a graphics source and a display device, while providing the capabilities to digitally record the signal.

The DIGITAL SCRIBE workstation can be used in many applications such as electronic data archiving and retrieval, easy electronic transport of data, training new operators, incident recall, and recording real-time critical events as viewed by a console operator.

About BARCO

BARCO, with headquarters in Kortrijk, Belgium, has three key activities, which are all active in *Image Processing*. BarcoProjection is in various markets of large screen visualization. BarcoView develops and manufactures display systems for life critical applications, while BarcoVision is in systems for visual inspection and quality control. In 2001, the entire BARCO group delivered a turnover of 792 million EUR. BARCO has a network of subsidiaries, distributors and agents in 97 countries throughout the world. BARCO has been quoted on the Brussels Stock Exchange since 1986, and is now quoted on Brussels/Euronext. BARCO is a BEL 20 and a Next 150 company and is a component of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes.

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