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LightWorks Optics, Inc. Hires Ed Arriola as Chief Engineer

Tustin, CA – March 18, 2010 – LightWorks Optics, Inc., the leading provider of custom precision optical components and advanced integrated optics solutions, is pleased to announce the hire of Ed Arriola as Chief Engineer, overseeing the company’s defense, aerospace, commercial and bio-medical programs.

In his new role, Arriola will be responsible for the guidance and evaluation of optical designs for complex and innovative state-of-the-art optical, opto-mechanical, and electro-optical components, systems, and subsystems. He will take the lead role in assigned projects, including analyzing overall requirements, conceptual development of optical imaging systems, detailed optical design optimization, and the creation of complete and detailed technical reports as well as technical proposals and presentations.

“We have been pursuing Ed for more than 10 years and are delighted to have him on our engineering management team,” said LightWorks Optics CEO, Dan Barber. “In addition to his strong analytical and design expertise, Ed brings exceptional management experience to the table, which will greatly benefit our diverse technical group.”

An optics industry veteran of more than 30 years, Arriola specializes in optical design for manufacturing. He has dozens of original optical system designs to his credit, including the development of flow cytometry optics for bio-medical applications, ultraviolet projection lenses and illuminators for materials processing and inspection, wide-field infrared threat warning systems for military aircraft and star tracker cameras for space applications.

Arriola holds a Master’s Degree in Physics from California State University Long Beach, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics from the University of California Los Angeles. Prior to joining LightWorks Optics, Arriola worked at Newport Corporation as Principal Optical Engineer for more than 10 years. He also served as Senior Staff Lead Optical Engineer at Perkin-Elmer/OCA for nearly 10 years, as well as other reputable design and research firms.

For more information about LightWorks Optics, Inc., please call 714-247-7175, or visit the new website at www.lightworksoptics.com.

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About LightWorks Optics, Inc.

Founded in 1997, LightWorks Optics, Inc. is the leading provider of custom, precision optical system solutions. The company's award-winning design, development and production capabilities serve the advanced technical needs of customers in the biomedical, aerospace, defense, security and commercial industries. The photonic applications may be diverse, but all LightWorks Optics products share a common focus on rapid development, excellent value, and high performance. The company is employee-owned and ISO 9001:2008 certified.