

Viking Systems' 3DHD Breakthrough Technology Embraced in Asia

WESTBOROUGH, Mass., May 14, 2010 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Viking Systems, Inc. (OTCBB:VKNG) today announced an overwhelmingly positive response to the demonstration of the 3DHD combination of Viking's cameras with Sony's 3DHD display by those who had the opportunity to experience it earlier this week in Singapore at Hospital Build Asia 2010 Exhibition and Congress.

Hospital Build Asia 2010 Exhibition and Congress provided a forum for the healthcare industry and decision-makers from key markets across the region to identify and evaluate the latest in medical device technology as they make critical decisions about how to provide the best and most cost effective healthcare for people in the region. At the "HD-in-3D" experience in the Sony booth, visitors participated in an interactive hands-on experience of a simulated surgical procedure in 3D using a Viking 3DHD Vision System and a Sony 24" 3D LCD screen. In addition, visitors were able to view actual 3D surgical video footage captured by a Viking 3DHD System and displayed on a 42" 3D LCD screen. Jed Kennedy, President of Viking Systems stated, "We are quite thrilled with the response attendees at Hospital Build Asia 2010 gave our Next Generation 3DHD System." Kennedy went further saying, "This venue gave us the opportunity to demonstrate our technology to several potential distribution partners. We are particularly pleased with the progress we have made toward addressing the rapidly expanding market in China and hope to have a finalized distribution arrangement in place in the near future."

In October 2009, at the American College of Surgeons' annual Clinical Congress in Chicago, Viking Systems first publicly demonstrated the "Next Generation" 3DHD camera system utilizing a prototype Sony 3DHD flat panel display. During 2010 Viking intends to complete the development of this unique Next Generation system and currently plans to launch the system in the fourth quarter of 2010. "Nearly all laparoscopic procedures are currently performed with a 2D camera," said Jed Kennedy. "We plan to provide the surgeon with high quality 3D vision in a cost effective and flexible format. Performing complex minimally invasive procedures with a 3D vision system has the potential not only to improve the quality of care but also to reduce procedure time and therefore cost of procedures."

About Viking Systems, Inc.

Viking Systems, Inc. (OTCBB:VKNG) is a leading worldwide developer, manufacturer and marketer of 2D and 3D visualization solutions for complex minimally invasive surgery. The Company partners with medical device companies and healthcare facilities to provide surgeons with proprietary visualization systems enabling minimally invasive surgical procedures, which reduce patient trauma and recovery time. For more information visit the Company's website at: www.vikingsystems.com

This press release contains forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are estimates reflecting the best judgment of our management and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements should, therefore, be considered in light of various important factors as described in our annual report on Form 10-K under the heading "Risk Factors" as updated from time to time by our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Statements concerning forecasts, revenue growth, procedure growth, future financial results, and statements using words such as "estimate", "project", "plan", "intend", "expect", "anticipate", "believe" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this press release. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this press release or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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