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Micronic Receives Order for LRS Series Laser Writer and Reports Order Intake Exceeding SEK 1 billion

Taby, Sweden – December 9, 2003 – Micronic Laser Systems AB (Stockholmsbörsen's Attract 40: MICR), a leading manufacturer of laser pattern generation equipment to the display and semiconductor industries, has received an order for an LRS11000 series pattern generation tool for advanced TFT-LCD display photomasks from an Asian customer. The system is expected to ship during the second half of 2004.

“It is with a great deal of satisfaction that we can announce that the order intake for the year has now passed 1 billion SEK,” says Sven Lofquist, president and CEO of Micronic Laser Systems AB. “The display market is growing incredibly fast, especially the market for TV displays based on LCD technology. Last week we introduced yet another pattern generator in the LRS series, the LRS15000, which now makes it possible to produce LCD-TV displays in sizes greater than 40 inches.”

LCD (Liquid Crystal Displays) is the most common technology for flat panel displays. There are two technologies, passive and active LCD. The TFT-LCD is an active LCD providing better image quality and faster response than a passive LCD. The active LCDs have a Thin Film Transistor (TFT) in each pixel.

About Micronic Laser Systems AB

Micronic Laser Systems is a Swedish high-tech company engaged in the development, manufacture and marketing of a series of extremely accurate laser pattern generators for the production of photomasks. The technology involved is known as microlithography. Micronic's product offering also includes metrology systems for display photomasks. Micronic's systems are used by the world's leading electronics companies in the manufacture of television and computer displays, semiconductor circuits and semiconductor packaging components. Micronic is located in Taby, north of Stockholm and at present has subsidiaries in the United States, Japan and Taiwan. Micronic maintains a web site at:

<http://www.micronic.se>