



**PATENT INFRINGEMENT SUIT ANNOUNCED AGAINST  
ICOS VISION SYSTEMS N.V.**

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Minneapolis, Minnesota—(BUSINESS WIRE)—July 12, 2000--Elwin M. Beaty, President and CEO of Scanner Technologies Corporation, announced today the filing of a lawsuit in UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, against ICOS (Easdaq and Nasdaq: IVIS) Vision Systems Corporation N.V. claiming willful and deliberate infringement of U.S. Patent numbers 6,064,756 and 6,064,757 with regard to stereo vision inspection of BGA, CSP, and bump on wafer products. In addition to requesting preliminary and permanent injunctions, treble damages and attorneys' fees, the lawsuit also requests the court to compel ICOS to recall all the inspection units previously sold in the United States since continued use of these inspection units constitutes infringement of Scanner's patent rights.