



## **SCANNER TECHNOLOGIES ANNOUNCES COURT RULING AGAINST ICOS VISION SYSTEMS NV**

MINNEAPOLIS, Apr 27, 2004 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Scanner Technologies Corporation (OTCBB:SCNI) with headquarters in Minneapolis, MN, today announced that on April 23, 2004, the United States Court of Appeals overturned a decision that the Southern District Court of New York had previously made regarding the Company's claim that ICOS Vision Systems NV (Nasdaq:IVIS) had infringed two of its patents. The Court of Appeals reversed a judgment of non-infringement by the district court stating that the case cited by ICOS was inapposite.

In July of 2000, Scanner Technologies Corporation instituted an action against ICOS Vision Systems Corporation NV in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York claiming infringement of two patents licensed to Scanner (U. S. Patent No. 6,064,756 and U. S. Patent No. 6,064,757). The patents relate to three-dimensional ball array inspection apparatus and method, respectively.

In June of 2003, the district court rendered a summary judgment with regard to the two illumination source devices sold by ICOS based on a ruling that the '756 and '757 patents only covered an "illumination apparatus" with a single source of illumination. . The decision was appealed by Scanner Technologies. The Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Scanner Technologies, finding that the claim terms "an illumination apparatus" and "illuminating" in the '756 and '757 patents respectively encompass one or more illumination sources and overturned the district court's entry of summary judgment of non-infringement.

Mr. Beaty, President and CEO of Scanner stated: "We are delighted with this decision. We believe that the decision of the Court of Appeals strengthens our position and we will continue to vigorously defend our intellectual property rights."

About Scanner Technologies Corporation:

Scanner is a New Mexico corporation that invents, develops and markets vision inspection products that are used in the semiconductor industry for the inspection of integrated circuits. Scanner's headquarters are located in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The company has a manufacturing facility in Tempe, Arizona, and sells its products through direct sales offices in San Jose, California, Singapore and Geneva, Switzerland and, in key geographical markets, through sales representatives and distributors throughout the world. Scanner's stock is traded on the Over-The-Counter Bulletin Board under the symbol "SCNI."

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