

HI TECH FIRM ACHIEVES ANOTHER ISO MILESTONE

WATERLOO, CANADA – October 18, 2000: Hi Tech company Northern Digital Inc. (NDI) announced today that it has attained ISO 9001 registration, giving the company another global benchmark for its quality standards. The registration follows the organization's ISO 9002 certification that was achieved in 1999 and recognizes adherence to the additional ISO standards for the product design process. The registration audit was completed by Quality Management Institute (QMI), the number one ISO registrar in North America.

"The registration is a great accomplishment for our organization and especially our employees," said David Crouch, President of NDI. "It is important for a global organization such as NDI to provide independent verification to our international business partners that we meet such important standards of quality."

NDI's registrar, QMI, is North America's leading Management Systems Registrar. As a member of IQNet, QMI is part of an international certification network comprised of the world's first class certification bodies.

Crouch also added "Our registration is confirmation once again that we have world class employees producing globally competitive products. As our business expands into new markets, we can point to our ISO certification as an indication of our commitment to quality."

Northern Digital Inc., headquartered in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, is the world's leading provider of advanced spatial measurement technology for such diverse applications as aerospace, computer assisted surgery (neurosurgery and spinal surgery), robotics and human motion measurement.

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