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### NEWS RELEASE

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### **Hologic Selects DICOM<sup>®</sup> Connectivity Framework for Direct Radiography Systems**

**Newark, DE (February 25, 2003)** — Laurel Bridge Software, Inc. (LBS) announced that Hologic, Inc., a leader in the field of medical imaging, has chosen Laurel Bridge to provide the DICOM<sup>®</sup> Connectivity Framework (DCF) as the DICOM interface for direct radiography systems currently under development. Direct Radiography Corporation (DRC), a wholly owned subsidiary of Hologic, is responsible for the integration of the DCF into forthcoming products.

The DCF is a collection of easy-to-use, high-level software components implementing the DICOM v3.0 protocol. Use of the DCF speeds development of DICOM interfaces for medical devices and applications. The DCF, with its proven reliability and its experienced team of developers, is available to meet OEM's DICOM interface needs. Laurel Bridge's sister company, Blair Computing Systems, can meet special software needs and provide custom programming services to OEMs desiring those services.

**DICOM<sup>®</sup>** (Digital Imaging and COmmunications in Medicine) is the registered trademark of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association for its standards publications relating to digital communications of medical information and is the *de-facto* standard for the communication of digital images between medical applications or devices.

**Hologic, Inc.** is dedicated to developing and delivering proprietary X-ray and ultrasound systems that incorporate direct-to-digital radiographic imaging technology for both women's health and general radiographic applications. Hologic's business divisions include: the Hologic Radiographic Systems division encompassing digital radiography systems; Direct Radiography Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary and manufacturer of state-of-the-art proprietary flat panel technology called DirectRay; the Hologic Osteoporosis Assessment division; the LORAD division, specializing in state-of-the-art breast imaging and minimally invasive breast biopsy systems; and Fluoroscan Imaging, a wholly owned subsidiary, manufacturing and marketing state-of-the-art, low intensity, real time X-ray imaging devices.

Hologic's Direct Radiography Corp. subsidiary provides dose-efficient, high productivity, direct-to-digital X-ray image capture systems for the medical and non-destructive testing markets.

**Laurel Bridge Software, Inc.** is a Delaware-based corporation, specializing in providing software tools and utilities for use by software professionals, especially in areas related to networking and controlling medical devices. Engineers from Laurel Bridge and its sister company, Blair Computing Systems, Inc., have been developing medical imaging systems for more than a decade. Together they have a wealth of experience developing PACS networks, modalities, workstations/viewers, archives and protocol or image converter boxes of all shapes and sizes, working with companies like AGFA, Codonics, Direct Radiography Corporation, DuPont, Hologic, LORAD, and others. Contact: Laurel Bridge Software, Inc., 160 East Main Street, Newark, DE 19711 USA, Tel: 302-453-0222, Fax: 302-453-9480, E-mail: [info@laurelbridge.com](mailto:info@laurelbridge.com), or visit [www.laurelbridge.com](http://www.laurelbridge.com).