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## 3D Systems' Latest Production Printers Are Game-Changer For Cideas

- Established Midwest Service Provider Adopts SLS & SLA
- Next Gen Functional Materials Drive Manufacturing Adoption

**ROCK HILL, South Carolina – April 18, 2013 – [3D Systems](#) (NYSE:DDD)**

announced today that Cideas, a leading Illinois service provider, expanded its advanced manufacturing offering with the installation of the company's latest [SLA<sup>®</sup>](#) and [SLS<sup>®</sup>](#) production printers in response to their growing customers' demand for higher quality, functional parts with finer feature detail and surface finish.

Mike Littrell, President and owner of Cideas was impressed with the versatility and productivity of his new [sPro<sup>®</sup> 60 SLS](#) production printer and the exceptional quality of the parts surpassed his expectations. Responding to greater demand for high definition performance plastic parts, Cideas decided to increase its capacity further with 3D Systems' new [ProJet<sup>®</sup> 7000](#) SLA production printer. "I am blown away by the superior quality of [Accura<sup>®</sup> Xtreme 200 White](#), 3D Systems' new, ultra durable material. Now we can deliver precision plastic parts with the mechanical properties of thermoplastics to our customers with reduced lead-time and that's a real competitive advantage for us," said Littrell.

"Cideas offers their customers the best performance and quality available today using our production printers and materials," said Kevin McAlea, Senior Vice President and General Manager of Advanced Manufacturing Solutions, 3D Systems. "This partnership leverages our combined expertise to position Cideas as a leader in the rapidly growing additive manufacturing revolution."

Find more information on production printers at [3DSystems.com](#).

**About 3D Systems Corporation**

3D Systems is a leading provider of 3D content-to-print solutions including 3D printers, print materials and on-demand custom parts services for professionals and consumers alike. The company also provides CAD, reverse engineering and inspection software tools and consumer 3D printers, apps and services. Its expertly integrated solutions replace and complement traditional methods and reduce the time and cost of designing new products by printing real parts directly from digital input. These solutions are used to rapidly design, create, communicate, prototype or produce real parts, empowering customers to create and make with confidence.

More information on the company is available at [www.3DSystems.com](http://www.3DSystems.com)

**About Cideas**

Founded in 1998, Cideas is the nation's largest independently owned service provider of Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM) technology. Their new state of the art Chicago-land facility was specifically designed in 2011 to house the ever growing 20+ Systems supporting over 13 different FDM materials. In addition, the company offers an additional 15+ materials with; Selective Laser Sintering (SLS), Stereolithography (SLA), Polyjet Printing and also offers; CAD Engineering and full model finishing services. Cideas is a member of the Additive Manufacturing Users Group (AMUG) and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME).

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