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ACQUISITION OF 4DCAM BY ARKANCE – A SUBSIDIARY OF THE GROUPE MONNOYEUR

On September 15, 2020, ARKANCE - subsidiary of the GROUPE MONNOYEUR - acquired 4DCAM a trusted partner in the digitalization of the Manufacturing industries in Belgium. It thus completes its portfolio of solutions and strengthens its leading position in the distribution of CAM technologies and CNC services in Europe.

This acquisition is in line with the GROUPE MONNOYEUR's strategy to establish a leading European network to support its clients - Building and Earthmoving Contractors, Design Offices, Infrastructure Owners, Manufacturing Companies and Mines and Quarry operators – on their digitalization journey.

Historically linked to the Construction business through its CATERPILLAR dealership activities in Europe, the GROUPE MONNOYEUR was able to perceive very early on the major impact that digitization would have on its customers in the long term.

By acquiring 4DCAM, ARKANCE is strengthening its expertise in Belgium, where it had already acquired several major players during the last 3 years: VIANOVA SYSTEMS, I-THESES and GREENOCK. After a transition period, 4DCAM will also operate under the ARKANCE SYSTEMS banner, the ARKANCE division dedicated to the implementation of CAD, CAM, PD&M and BIM solutions.

"We are very excited to welcome the 4DCAM team into the family. They will reinforce our team of experts for the benefit of all our customers with their know-how developed since decades; our value proposition to Manufacturing industries is really unique", comments Geert De BONDT, Country Director of ARKANCE SYSTEMS Belux.

"From the first exchanges with ARKANCE management, we perceived an alignment of ideas and a common will to pursue an optimal customer experience. Similarly, in ARKANCE as in 4DCAM, the value proposition relies on the expertise of our teams. Furthermore, ARKANCE's dynamic growth in Belgium and the Netherlands has convinced us that by joining them, we are entrusting our future to a Group that is building a truly differentiating value proposition - and has the means to achieve its ambitions - to accompany the future transformations of the industrial sector", say the two owners of 4DCAM Luc PONSAERTS and Jan RAES.

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About 4DCAM

4DCAM is a reseller of CAM software, providing CNC consulting and services in Belgium for 20 years. Since, they developed a deep understanding in getting data from and to machines (follow-up of production data, communication).

With its team of 5 CAM specialists, 4DCAM writes post processors from simple 3-axis milling machines or 2-axis lathes to complex 5-axis milling and 12&up MTM lathe machines and robots. They also develop custom applications for customers to automate their production (using POWERSHAPE and POWERMILL API-master, previously Custom Core, .net, and macro languages).

Over the years, 4DCAM has been able to build historical partnerships with most of the local CNC machine and tool providers.

4DCAM is an historic reseller of DELCAM software since 1989, that is now part of AUTODESK's portfolio since 2014.

About the GROUPE MONNOYEUR

The GROUPE MONNOYEUR, a family business founded in 1906, provides to its customers from the construction and industrial sectors efficient and productive machines and handling solutions – through the distribution networks BERGERAT MONNOYEUR, APROLIS and IPSO. In addition, the GROUPE MONNOYEUR supports its customer to answer their energy supply and digitalization challenges through our dedicated subsidiaries ENERIA and ARKANCE. With more than 6.200 employees, the Group operates in 15 countries and posted more than 2 Billion € of turnover in 2019.

About ARKANCE

ARKANCE's mission is to support its customers in their digital transition with its European network of experts. With 620 employees working in 4 divisions - ARKANCE SYSTEMS, ARKANCE OPTIMUM, ALLTERRA and SITECH – the group partners with global leaders, in particular AUTODESK & TRIMBLE – to distribute and implement solutions dedicated to optimizing all phases of the life cycle of a Construction or Industrial project, from offices to operations (jobsites, factories...).

About ARKANCE SYSTEMS

In ARKANCE organization, ARKANCE SYSTEMS is focusing on delivering a complete software and application expertise for all phases of the construction project lifecycle. After these acquisitions, ARKANCE SYSTEMS counts now 470 employees including more than 250 application engineers supporting 70,000 users through a European network established in France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxemburg, Poland, Finland, Czech and Slovak Republics and in Hungary, and will continue to invest as part of its strategic development. Its experts are at the forefront of all topics concerning BIM, digital twins, industry 4.0 and other IoTs. ARKANCE SYSTEMS is an AUTODESK® PLATINUM reseller and TRIMBLE AUTHORIZED CHANNEL PARTNER on territories where the group operates.

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