

PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Machine Solutions Inc. Announces the Launch of Our Most Advanced Catheter Balloon Pleating and Folding Equipment

Flagstaff, AZ USA, August 9, 2002 - Machine Solutions Inc.:

Machine Solutions Inc. (MSI) is excited to announce the launch of our newest equipment, the FFS1100 (Patent Pending) Form/Fold/Set equipment (FFS) for pleating and folding catheter balloon products. The FFS equipment offers a solution to the labor intense, tedious, and unreliable process of catheter balloon pleating and folding. The first international showing and launch of the FFS1100 will be at the MEDTEC Conference and Exhibition in Galway, Ireland September 18 – 19, 2002.

The Series 1000 FFS equipment utilizes the proprietary, patent pending, MSI segmental technology and will enable manufacturers to reliably pleat and compactly fold angioplasty and stent deployment balloon catheters while eliminating operator variances. The new, Series 1000 FFS equipment from MSI incorporates a number of automation and control features to our current FFS equipment, these include:

- Automated catheter handling system
- PLC controlled process
- Vision assistance system
- Integrated load cell
- Digital encoder for head diameter positioning
- PTCA and PTA lengths and diameters available

Machine Solutions Inc. (MSI) is a leading manufacturer and pioneer in providing the medical device community with the premier solution for stent crimping and balloon processing applications. MSI has been instrumental in automating or semi-automating several manual processes within catheter manufacturing organizations. Please visit www.machinesolutions.org for additional corporate and MSI product information.



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