



European Patent Office Upholds Verathon's IP Against Aircraft Medical Challenge

Bothell, Wash., October 22, 2007 – Verathon Medical[®], the global leader in the development and marketing of the GlideScope[®] video laryngoscope, is pleased to announce that the European Patent Office has upheld its intellectual property right – European Patent 1307131 B1 – against a challenge by Scottish competitor Aircraft Medical Ltd. This patent protects Verathon's invention of its innovative, clinically proven GlideScope[®] video laryngoscope.

In a related action, Verathon's wholly-owned subsidiary, Verathon Medical (Canada) ULC has filed a patent infringement lawsuit against Aircraft Medical Ltd. seeking an injunction and £37,000,000 in damages.

About Verathon Inc.

Verathon[®], formerly Diagnostic Ultrasound Corp., designs and manufactures reliable, state-of-the-art medical devices and services that offer a meaningful improvement in patient care to the health care community. The company's noninvasive BladderScan[®] instrument is the standard of care for bladder volume measurement. The brand is found in over 60 countries in Urology and Primary Care practices, as well as Acute and Extended Care facilities. With the January 2006 acquisition of Saturn Biomedical Systems in Vancouver, Canada, Verathon[®] entered Anesthesiology, Critical Care and Emergency markets with the GlideScope[®] video laryngoscope (GVL[®]) brand. Verathon[®] is headquartered in Bothell, Washington and has approximately 280 employees worldwide. For more information, please visit www.verathon.com.

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