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Color Management Group member, Left Dakota, makes first GMG sale for Color Management Distribution

San Jose, CA (March 17, 2004) –Left Dakota, a color management software and consulting company of Los Angeles, CA and a member of the Color Management Distribution dealer network, makes first U.S. sale of GMG ColorProof to Andresen Digital, of Santa Monica, CA.

“Left Dakota has clients that need to simulate newsprint accurately. GMG's ability to hue correct its dot proofs allow me to overcome the warm hue of the Epson UltraChrome black ink while still accurately representing a newsprint rosette.” states Eric Magnusson, President of Left Dakota.

“Left Dakota has been instrumental in finding a solution that fits our needs. The world of color managed proofing is large and changes rapidly. We rely on Left Dakota's expertise to sort fact from fiction, and find solutions that really work in a production environment. We are looking forward to working with the GMG product,” comments Mellary Bennett, General Manager, Andresen Digital, Santa Monica, CA.

GMG ColorProof, the original ColorProof - a color management software system, provides the most accurate way of calibrating digital inkjet proofing engines to produce contract color proofs, precisely color-matched to the printing press. GMG DotProof option enables output of digital halftone contract proofs, complete with original screen data, and taking in consideration the Dot Gain curves of the press or CTP device, on ink-jet printers. GMG ColorProof supports all standard spot color systems, up to 64 individual color channels, and is compatible with standard ICC profiles, which can be combined with GMG profiles.

The GMG ColorProof system features a variety of workflow capabilities, and handles a wide range of file formats, including TIFF-IT, DCS, Postscript, and PDF. Recently, GMG ColorProof was granted SWOP® (Specifications for Web Offset Publications) certification for its digital proofing solution ColorProof driving Epson's inkjet printer StylusPro 7600, 9600 and 10600 models.

Color Management Distribution, and GMG USA, a subsidiary of Germany's GMG GmbH & Co. KG, signed a distribution agreement earlier this year. "Color Management Group Members have all completed certification level product training and have started to introduce GMG proofing solutions to companies involved in prepress and printing, as well as graphic arts and advertising in the US. GMG ColorProof should represent a significant piece of the comprehensive color workflow solutions they install, troubleshoot and manage in 2004. In addition to making end user installations, this group is available to certify dealers" states Lida Jalali Marschke, Founder, Color Management Distribution.

The Color Management Group is a growing consortium of leading independent resellers and their Silicon Valley based Distributor focusing on color management solutions, including Alder Technology, Inc., Color Geek, Inc., Left Dakota, Piccus 4 Color, Renaissance Photographic Imaging, Rich and Associates, LLC, and Rods and Cones.

"We are extremely pleased to have the Color Management Group working with us to roll out GMG in the US. Their focus on professional color management tools for photographers, ad agencies and printers is a terrific fit for GMG" says Jim Summers, GMG USA general manager.

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