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## ***TechniGraphics buys another IBM/Dassault reseller and services group***

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### **Acquires Axiom Systems to gain Strong Presence on East Coast**

**Wooster, OH – May 15, 2006** - TechniGraphics, the leading provider of data capture services and solutions for visual information systems, today announced it has purchased certain assets of the PLM (Product Lifecycle Management) business of Axiom Systems, Inc., an IBM/Dassault Systèmes (NASDAQ: DASTY) software reseller and provider of high-end implementation services, located in Alpharetta, GA. The financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

"With the acquisition of some of Axiom's PLM assets, we have taken another major step in our diversification strategy," said Dee Vaidya, President and CEO of TechniGraphics. "We will now be able to respond to the demand for best-in-class PLM solutions and accelerate our expansion in the North American PLM, Engineering Services & Rapid Prototyping markets.

"We are pleased to have a nationwide presence with strengths across the entire product line of CATIA, SMARTEAM, ENOVIA and DELMIA," said Vijay Vasandani, President and CEO of Axiom Systems. "The sale of our PLM business to TechniGraphics will result in the creation of an organization with many man years of experience selling and implementing PLM solutions in the Aerospace, Automobile, Shipbuilding, Industrial Products and Electronics industries."

With the addition of 30-plus people from Axiom, TechniGraphics now employs over 300 in 15 states. It has offices in Wooster, OH, Southfield, MI, St. Louis, MO, Fort Collins, CO, Bellevue, WA, Costa Mesa, CA and Alpharetta, GA. In the remaining eight states, associates work from their homes and are often at customer sites for several days of each work week. The company's work force is currently concentrated on the West Coast, in the mountain state of Colorado, in the Midwest and on the Eastern Seaboard.

#### **About TechniGraphics**

TechniGraphics is in the business of helping the world "visualize its information" by providing a full array of software and services designed to make data visually accessible. With particular emphasis on 3D CAD, PLM, Engineering Services and Geospatial Data, the company helps large organizations access powerful databases graphically. At TechniGraphics, we believe that "Seeing is Understanding." For more information visit: <http://www.tgstech.com>

#### **About Axiom Systems**

Axiom Systems plays an important role in the implementation of PLM solutions in diverse, large enterprises. Axiom's sales and consulting teams have many years of experience in addressing problems of the engineering and manufacturing enterprise, and they provide the skills necessary for successful deployment of the PLM solution. Axiom Systems has successfully implemented SMARTEAM and ENOVIA solutions at various customer sites, including those of large Fortune 500 companies. For additional information about Axiom's products and services, please visit [www.axiomsys.com](http://www.axiomsys.com)