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***Azary Technologies, LLC acquired by Orchid Design***

**Shelton, Connecticut, April, 2008** – Orchid Design, a division of Orchid Orthopedic Solutions, has acquired Azary Technologies, LLC a medical device quality and regulatory consulting firm. Azary Technologies has been serving the medical device community since 1999 and in this time, has worked with over 120 companies. Joseph Azary, the principal for Azary Technologies, will be joining Orchid Design and continue to provide the quality and regulatory services for which he is widely recognized.

This acquisition further expands the services that Orchid provides. According to Steve Maguire, General Manager of Orchid Design, “Quality and Regulatory issues are growing challenges as well as opportunities for Orchid’s customers. The addition of Azary Technologies to the Orchid team allows us to more broadly and effectively support our customers in these important areas. Additionally, this capability will further enhance our internal competencies that our customers expect from their service providers.”

The additional services that Orchid Design now offers include:

- Quality System Development (ISO, FDA)
- Auditing (supplier audits, compliance and quality audits)
- Training (ISO, FDA, Regulatory requirements)
- FDA submissions (510k, PMA, Annual Reports)
- International Regulatory
- Regulatory (labeling, adverse events, recalls, FDA compliance)

***About Orchid Design:***

Orchid Design is a full service contract product design and development firm focused on the orthopedic industry located in Shelton, CT. From concept through small scale manufacturing, they provide engineering support to companies developing medical devices. With over 175 years of engineering experience on their team, a state of the art model shop and biomechanical testing facilities, they are able to develop quality products and reduce time to market for their customers.

***About Orchid Orthopedic Solutions:***

Orchid Orthopedic Solutions ([www.orchid-orthopedics.com](http://www.orchid-orthopedics.com)), a privately held company, is made up of ten successful contract manufacturers that, in combination, have been serving the orthopedic community for more than 100 years. With 5 divisions: Design, Forging, Machining, Plastics and Coatings and over 900 employees, they provide a full range of the capabilities needed to produce quality orthopedic implants and instruments; individually, they continue to provide the high level of service customers have come to expect.

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