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SCRA-LED *PDES, INC.* WELCOMES DASSAULT SYSTÈMES *French Company Joins Consortium*

Charleston, SC – July 2, 2013 – SCRA today announced that Dassault Systèmes has become a member of its *PDES, Inc.* consortium. Located in Vélizy-Villacoublay, France, Dassault Systèmes is the world leader in three-dimensional (3D) design software, 3D Digital Mock Up and Product Lifecycle Management solutions. Since its inception in 1981, Dassault Systèmes, “the 3DEXPERIENCE Company” has helped its customers optimize the creation of products and comprehensive experiences.

SCRA leads the consortium, providing program management, financial and contracting services. The *PDES, Inc.* consortium has 26 member organizations worldwide from industry, government and academia. Since 1988, *PDES, Inc.* has accelerated the development and use of model-based standards for the Digital Enterprise. Its initiatives include model-based engineering, model-based manufacturing, model-based sustainment, data exchange and standards development and testing.

First used to design complex shapes, the 3D design and process management capabilities Dassault Systèmes offers make it possible to design and manufacture full-fledged industry experiences. Dassault Systèmes’ industry solution experiences foster social innovation, expanding possibilities for the virtual world to improve the real world. The company brings value to over 170,000 customers of all sizes, in all industries around the globe. Additional information about Dassault Systèmes can be found at <http://www.3ds.com>.

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