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Meadowlark Optics acquires Commercial Products Business Unit from Boulder Nonlinear Systems

FREDERICK, Colorado – August 18, 2014, – Meadowlark Optics (Meadowlark) is pleased to announce that on July 13, 2014, Meadowlark acquired the Commercial Products Group of Boulder Nonlinear Systems (BNS). The Commercial Products Group, including equipment and staff, has been moved to Meadowlark in Frederick, Colorado. Products include the Spatial Light Modulators (SLMs), Optical Shutters, Polarization Rotators, Variable Waveplates, and the CUBE optical tweezing systems.

Incorporating the SLM product line with the precision optical components produced at Meadowlark Optics brings manufacturing focus to the growing SLM business. As a valued SLM customer, you will benefit from new product initiatives, decreased delivery times and expanded service for the SLM product you already know and trust.

"We are very excited about the prospects ahead as we blend the considerable talents and technology of the BNS SLM group with Meadowlark's existing precision optical components business. The quality and technical innovation of the BNS commercial product is a natural fit for our company," said Garry Gorsuch, President & CEO of Meadowlark. "We will support and enhance the product line so that you continue to enjoy the same quality and performance that you have come to expect as a dedicated user."

Meadowlark will continue to work with the R&D team at BNS in Lafayette, Colorado to make the improvements you've requested in future products.

"Our focus has always been on developing state-of-the-art, application-specific systems that incorporate SLM technology," states Steve Serati, President of Boulder Nonlinear Systems. "Meadowlark's dedication to quality and their ability to manufacture on a larger scale make them the right fit for the commercialization of BNS prototype developments."

BNS will now devote its efforts mostly to research and development. This includes non-mechanical beam steering devices such as the liquid crystal polarization grating beam deflectors, new backplane developments and hardware improvements to the existing SLM product line. With support from the DoD, NASA, NSF and NIH through the Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) program, as well as sub-contracts from prime defense contractors, BNS is a recognized leader in this area.

About Meadowlark Optics:

Meadowlark has provided world-class liquid crystal solutions and polarization optics from a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility since 1998. To ensure precision and top quality, our 20,000 square foot headquarters boasts the latest in clean rooms, optical fabrication, metrology facilities and a breath-taking view of Colorado's Front Range. For more information, visit www.meadowlark.com or call 303-833-4333.

About Boulder Nonlinear Systems:

Boulder Nonlinear Systems (BNS) is a leader in the research and development of non-mechanical beam steering innovations for practical devices and systems used by government, research and commercial applications. Since 1988, BNS and its dedicated team of scientists and engineers have specialized in the control and manipulation of optical energy. For more information visit: www.bnonlinear.com/research-development.