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Deposition Sciences Offers Highly Durable, Wide Angle Broadband Anti-Reflective (BBAR) Coatings

- Ideal for gimbal windows and sensor detector assemblies on unmanned systems

June 16, 2011 – Santa Rosa, CA – Deposition Sciences, Inc. (DSI®), manufacturer of durable thin film optical coatings, announces the design of a wide-angle broadband anti-reflection (BBAR) coating for gimbal windows and detector assemblies. The highly specialized coatings address the needs of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) for a highly durable, angle-insensitive (FOV 0-30 degrees) glare-reducing coating on sapphire substrates. The design is band-selective, such that minimum reflectance can be tuned to a particular detector package, while still minimizing visibility (glare) in the photopic spectral sensitivity range of the human eye. The design delivers an average reflectance of approximately 2 percent between 400-5000 nm.

Consistent with the harsh operating environments of UAS, the new wide-angle BBAR coatings are environmentally stable and perform to MIL-C-48497 and MIL-F-48616 standards. Testing is performed on the coated windows according to specifications for humidity, salt-fog, abrasion, temperature cycle, adhesion, solubility, and cleanability. In addition, DSI’s in-house testing facility ensures that cryogenic and operating temperature measurements can be made between 10-400 Kelvin.

For more information on DSI’s durable wide angle, broadband anti-reflective optical coatings and test and measurement capabilities for military and defense applications, please visit www.depsci.com.

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DSI's coating capability ranges from the ultraviolet (UV), through the visible and includes near-infrared (NIR), midwave-infrared (MWIR) and out to the longwave-infrared (LWIR). At the heart of these capabilities is DSI's patented MicroDyn\textsuperscript{®} reactive sputtering technology enabling superior multilayer thin film coatings for optics and other thin film technologies.