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ROFIN-SINAR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF GUENTHER BRAUN AS INTERIM CEO AND CHAIRMAN

Plymouth, MI / Hamburg, Germany, January 13, 2005 - ROFIN-SINAR Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: RSTI), one of the world's leading developers and manufacturers of high-performance laser beam sources and laser-based solutions, today announced that last week, Peter Wirth, its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, was hospitalized after experiencing a stroke.

Although Dr. Wirth's prognosis is still undetermined, his condition is improving and he intends to resume his responsibilities when his recovery is complete. Pending Dr. Wirth's return, the Company's Board of Directors has requested Guenther Braun, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, to assume Dr. Wirth's responsibilities on an interim basis.

With operational headquarters in Plymouth, Michigan, and Hamburg, Germany, Rofin-Sinar Technologies Inc. designs, develops, engineers and manufactures laser sources and laser-based system solutions for a wide range of applications. With production facilities in the US, Germany, UK, Sweden, Singapore and Japan, Rofin-Sinar is one of the world's leading designers and manufacturers of industrial lasers and currently has more than 20,000 laser units installed worldwide and serves more than 3,000 customers. Rofin-Sinar's shares trade on the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol RSTI and are listed in Germany in the "Prime Standard" of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange under ISIN US7750431022.