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Volanz Aerospace Inc. Achieves Capability Maturity Model Integration (*CMMI*[®]) Level 2

Volanz Aerospace Inc. announced today that it has achieved Capability Maturity Model Integration (*CMMI*[®]) Level 2.

"There are a number of benefits to our achieving *CMMI*[®] Level 2," notes Alan Hayes, Volanz Chairman and Chief Operating Officer. "These include increased productivity, higher quality, fewer defects, and significantly reduced risk of project failure."

CMMI[®] supersedes the Capability Maturity Model (CMM) as the internationally-recognized standard of application development created by Carnegie Mellon University's (www.sei.cmu.edu) Software Engineering Institute (SEI). SEI is a federally funded research and development center sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense. CMM established itself as a credible accreditation framework through which businesses could adopt best practices for software engineering, and so improve the software they produce. *CMMI* extends this by removing the barriers between software engineering and infrastructure, and enables the entire product development lifecycle to benefit from the improvements given by CMM. Like CMM, *CMMI* allows organizations to move through a five level process, with Level 5 being the highest.

Volanz Aerospace Inc. is a non-profit Maryland corporation formed in 1998 to provide space science and space-related high technology educational and research programs for researchers, educators and students of all ages. Educators, students, and researchers work together to expand our knowledge of space. We also collaborate with educational institutions, Government and industry to enhance the impact of space science and technology in our world.

The "Volanz" in our corporate name comes from "Volans", which translates to "The Flying Fish". Pieter Dirksz Keyser and Fredrick de Houtman discovered the constellation Volanz between 1595 and 1597.

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