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Aculight Corporation Named One of the Pacific Northwest's Fastest Growing Technology Companies in Deloitte's Technology Fast 50 Program

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Building Customer Confidence*

Bothell, Wash., October 3, 2006 – Aculight Corporation, a leading developer of innovative laser technologies, has been named to Deloitte's prestigious Technology Fast 50 Program for the Pacific Northwest, a ranking of the 50 fastest growing technology, media, telecommunications and life sciences companies in Washington, Oregon and Idaho by Deloitte & Touche USA LLP, one of the nation's leading professional services organizations. Rankings are based on the percentage revenue growth during the five years from 2001 to 2005.

Aculight's CEO Don Rich attributes the company's 123.2 percent revenue growth from 2001 to 2005 to setting and achieving aggressive goals and building customer confidence. "Aculight's growth reflects our evolution from a research company into a product development and manufacturing company," Rich said. "When we first began this course we set aggressive expansion goals for the company. We were very open with our customers about what we were going to do. Now that we've passed many of our key milestones it has developed customer confidence. Our customers know that we'll apply the same resolve and follow-through to the projects we're working on with them."

Aculight's increase in revenues of 123.2 percent from 2001 to 2005 resulted in a 32 ranking in the Technology Fast 50 for the Pacific Northwest. The average increase in revenues among companies who made the Technology Fast 50 for this region was 607 percent. This marks the fifth time that Aculight has made the prestigious list—previous years were 2000, 2003, 2004 and 2005.



“To rank on Deloitte’s Technology Fast 50, companies must have phenomenal revenue growth during the five year period,” said Larry Hile, a Partner in Deloitte’s Technology, Media & Telecommunications (TMT) industry practice based in Seattle. “Aculight has proven to be one of the fast-growth success stories in the Pacific Northwest, and we applaud their dedication to making their vision a reality.”

To qualify for the Technology Fast 50, companies must have had operating revenues of at least \$50,000 in 2001 and \$5,000,000 in 2005, be headquartered in North America, and be a company that owns proprietary technology or proprietary intellectual property that contributes to a significant portion of the company’s operating revenues; or devotes a significant proportion of revenues to the research and development of technology. Using other companies’ technology or intellectual property in a unique way does not qualify.

Winners of the 16 regional Technology Fast 50 programs in the United States and Canada are automatically entered in Deloitte’s Technology Fast 500 program, which ranks North America’s top 500 fastest growing technology, media, telecommunications and life sciences companies. For more information on Deloitte’s Technology Fast 50 or Technology Fast 500 programs, visit www.fast500.com.

About Aculight

Founded in 1993, Aculight is focused on being the leader in providing quality, innovative and cost-effective laser system solutions for our customers’ needs in national defense, aerospace and medical applications. For more information about Aculight, please contact Dr. Andrew Brown, director of business development, at (425) 482-1100 or visit www.aculight.com.

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