

NEWS UPDATE



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LaBARGE AWARDED \$3.5 MILLION CONTRACT FROM GENERAL DYNAMICS FOR AEGIS WEAPON SYSTEM

ST. LOUIS, Dec.13, 2010—LaBarge, Inc. (NYSE Amex: LB), a provider of electronics manufacturing services (EMS), has been awarded a \$3.5 million contract from General Dynamics Armament and Technical Products to continue producing high-level electronic assemblies for the Aegis Weapon System.

The Aegis Weapon System is the world's premier naval surface weapon system. It seamlessly integrates the AN/SPY-1 radar, the Mk 41 Vertical Launching System and a family of U.S. Navy missiles with its own command and control system. Aegis also is the heart of the U.S. Navy's sea-based missile defense system, one of the first operationally deployed components of the nation's layered network of defenses against cruise and ballistic missile attacks.

LaBarge has manufactured a variety of high-performance electronic assemblies for the Aegis program for more than a decade. Production on this latest contract is expected to begin in May 2011 and continue through November 2011 at LaBarge's Huntsville, Ark., facility.

LaBarge, Inc. is a broad-based provider of electronics to technology-driven companies in diverse markets. The Company provides its customers with sophisticated electronic and electromechanical products through contract design and manufacturing services. Headquartered in St. Louis, LaBarge has operations in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas and Wisconsin. The Company's Web site may be accessed at <http://www.labarge.com>.

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements reflect management's current expectations and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from such statements due to a variety of factors that could adversely affect LaBarge, Inc.'s operating results. These risks and factors are set forth in documents LaBarge, Inc. files with the Securities and

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Exchange Commission, specifically in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and other reports it files from time to time. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date such statements were made, or as of the date of the report or document in which they are contained, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update such information.

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