

# NEWS UPDATE



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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **LaBARGE ACHIEVES NADCAP ACCREDITATION FOR SUPERIOR QUALITY PROCESSES AND CONTROLS**

ST. LOUIS, June 6, 2011—LaBarge, Inc. (NYSE Amex: LB), a provider of electronics manufacturing services (EMS), has achieved Nadcap® accreditation for manufacturing cable and harness assemblies for aerospace and defense applications. LaBarge's Joplin, Mo., operation earned the AC7121 certification from the Performance Review Institute (PRI). The elite certification is part of LaBarge's ongoing commitment to providing its customers with world-class quality management.

"Nadcap accreditation validates the specialized processes and controls LaBarge has in place to produce complex, ruggedized cables and wiring harnesses of the highest quality," said Craig LaBarge, chairman of the board, chief executive officer and president. "This accreditation assures our customers they can count on LaBarge's expertise and world-class manufacturing standards before ever walking through our door." Nadcap accreditation complements LaBarge's other quality certifications for international standards such as ISO 9001 and AS9100 at its Joplin operation.

Nadcap (National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program) benefits the aerospace and defense industries by validating the manufacturing processes and controls of its suppliers, who must meet extremely rigorous quality standards.

#### **About LaBarge, Inc.**

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 website may be accessed at [LaBarge.com](http://LaBarge.com).

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### **Additional Information and Where to Find It**

LaBarge filed with the SEC a preliminary proxy statement on April 18, 2011, and intends to file a definitive proxy statement and other relevant materials in connection with the proposed transaction. The definitive proxy statement will be mailed or given to the stockholders of LaBarge. **BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING OR INVESTMENT DECISION WITH RESPECT TO THE ACQUISITION, INVESTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF LABARGE ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT AND THE OTHER RELEVANT MATERIALS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION.** The proxy statement and other relevant materials (when they become available), and any other documents filed by LaBarge with the SEC, may be obtained free of charge from the SEC’s website at <http://www.sec.gov>, the investor relations section of LaBarge’s website at <http://www.labarge.com>, or by written request to LaBarge, Inc., c/o Corporate Secretary, 9900 Clayton Road, St. Louis, MO 63124.

### **Participants in the Solicitation**

LaBarge and Ducommun and their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be “participants” in the solicitation of proxies from LaBarge stockholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Information concerning the interests of the persons who may be considered “participants” in the solicitation is set forth in Ducommun’s 2011 proxy statement on Scheduled 14A filed with the SEC on March 29, 2011, and Ducommun’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, filed with the SEC on February 22, 2011. Information about LaBarge’s directors and executive officers is set forth in LaBarge’s proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on October 18, 2010, and LaBarge’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 27, 2010, filed with the SEC on September 3, 2010. Additional information regarding the interests of participants in the solicitation of proxies in connection with the merger will be included in the proxy statement that LaBarge intends to file with the SEC.

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