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LaBARGE AWARDED \$1 MILLION CONTRACT FROM LORD CORPORATION FOR MILITARY AND CIVILIAN HELICOPTERS

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 29, 2010—LaBarge, Inc. (NYSE Amex: LB), a provider of electronics manufacturing services (EMS), has been awarded a \$1 million contract from LORD Corporation to produce electronic assemblies for military and civilian helicopters. LaBarge anticipates follow-on orders.

"We are pleased to be selected by LORD as a manufacturing partner and look forward to further developing this new customer relationship. We use our expanded, state-of-the-art technology and flexible manufacturing approach to provide customers like LORD with complex electronics that perform reliably in demanding environments," said Craig LaBarge, chief executive officer and president.

Production on the contract at LaBarge's Tulsa, Okla., operation is expected to begin this fall and continue through December 2011.

About LORD Corporation

Founded in 1924, LORD Corporation is a privately-held company that designs, manufactures and markets mechanical devices and electromechanical systems to control vibration, motion and noise; formulates, produces and sells general purpose and specialty adhesives, coatings and electronic materials, and develops products and systems utilizing magnetically responsive technologies. Visit www.lord.com for more information.

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 Web site may be accessed at http://www.labarge.com.

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