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**Veteran First Nano Enables Startup Carbon Nanoprobes to Accelerate the Commercialization of Nanotech Application**

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CN Probes has selected First Nano's Applications Laboratory to complete one of the most critical stages of development before the launch of CN Probes flagship product, a carbon nanotube probe tip, for use in Atomic Force Microscopes (AFM). Carbon Nanoprobes, Inc. (CN Probes) and First Nano have signed an agreement that enables CN Probes to finish development of their high-tech nano imaging platform. CN Probes is a startup focused on commercializing advanced nano imaging technology. First Nano, is a division of CVD Equipment Corporation (NSDAQ: [CVV](#)), a 26 year-old company with expertise in the development, design and manufacturing of custom Chemical Vapor Deposition processing equipment.

[First Nano](#) designs and manufactures highly specialized, commercial grade systems that grow Carbon Nanotubes (CNT's) and nanowire materials. CNT's are mission-critical to the nano imaging technology CN Probes is developing. First Nano's furnace is the definitive ingredient necessary to complete the process development and production increase of CN Probes' CNT probe tips. These specialized tips will allow scientists and engineers in multiple fields - from biotech to chip fabrication - to, as CN Probes' tagline proclaims, "See more and know more."

As explained by CN Probes' CEO, Brian Ruby, "We take pictures of tiny things. We're nano-photographers and our pictures provide value to scientists and engineers in several fields." Ruby adds, "Several consumer products incorporate these tiny CNT's as a material. Ours, however, is one of the first actual mechanical devices. Think of it as the difference between rubber and a tire, or silicon and a computer chip."

"By providing private access at our Application Laboratory, First Nano enables CN Probes to significantly shorten their time to market and reduce upfront investment costs," states Karlheinz Strobl, V.P. of Business Development. Strobl adds, "By

completing this work in a private manner, CN Probes retains its intellectual property before and during this business phase. We expect that, as CN Probe's business matures, they will either purchase a system from us, or First Nano will become part of CN Probes future supply chain. By providing such support services we offer another business growth path to enable the commercialization of tomorrow's nano, solar and other emerging technologies today."

#### **About Carbon Nanoprobes, Inc.:**

Founded in 2003, CN Probes is committed to the mass fabrication of nanostructured AFM consumables. The foundation of this nanotechnology company is centered on a technology platform invented by CN Probes' CEO and Founder. CN Probes is well on its way to being one of the most respected nanotechnology companies in the world. For additional information on CN Probes contact them at [info @ cnprobes.com](mailto:info@cnprobes.com) or via the Web at [www.cnprobes.com](http://www.cnprobes.com).

#### **About First Nano and CVD Equipment Corporation:**

[First Nano](#), a division of CVD Equipment Corporation (NASDAQ: [CVV](#)) is a designer and manufacturer of standard and custom state-of-the-art equipment used in the development, design and manufacture of advanced electronic components, materials and coatings for research and industrial applications. We offer a broad range of Chemical Vapor Deposition, gas control, and other process equipment that is used by our customers to research, design and manufacture Semiconductors, Solar Cells, Carbon Nanotubes, Nanowires, LEDs, MEMS and industrial coatings.. First Nano also operates an Application Laboratory where outside companies can either contract process development or rent equipment to conduct private Research and Development or Collaborate with First Nano in a joint business manner.

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