

## **For Immediate Release**

# **X-Ray Industries acquires PPI Aerospace**

March 16, 2010 –Troy, MI. X-Ray Industries, a leading provider of nondestructive testing services to the aerospace and defense industries has acquired PPI Aerospace, a Nadcap (formerly the National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program) accredited specialty surface finishing company based in Warren, MI. PPI Aerospace will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of X-Ray Industries. The acquisition allows X-Ray Industries to broaden the range of performance critical services X-Ray Industries offer to its customers.

PPI Aerospace operates three facilities in Warren and currently employs 34 people. Mr. Larry Carlson, who joined PPI Aerospace in 2003, has been appointed Director of Operations with responsibility for day-to-day activities. He will report directly to Robert Broaddus, President of the X-R-I Testing Division of X-Ray Industries.

According to Scott Thams, CEO of X-Ray Industries, “We’re excited about this acquisition because PPI Aerospace has an outstanding reputation for quality and innovation in aerospace surface finishing. This addition complements our existing offerings, providing a seamless Nadcap specialty process value stream for our customers.”

A privately held company, X-Ray Industries and its X-R-I Testing Division have nearly 70 years of experience in providing nondestructive testing services to the aerospace, defense industries. Its Test Equipment Distributors subsidiary markets a broad range of equipment and supplies to the nondestructive testing industry. To learn more, visit [www.xritesting.com](http://www.xritesting.com) and [www.ppiaerospace.com](http://www.ppiaerospace.com).