

Ad Hoc Announcement

RSTI announces Second Quarter Fiscal 2002 Results

Hamburg, Germany/Plymouth, MI, May 7, 2002 – ROFIN-SINAR Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ: RSTI, Neuer Markt WKN: 902757), one of the world's leading developers and manufacturers of high-performance laser beam sources and laser-based solutions, today announced results for its second fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2002.

Net sales totaled \$53.4 million for the first fiscal quarter, a 8.3% decrease over the comparable quarter of fiscal 2001 (\$ 58.3 million), but 9.6% above the previous quarter in the current fiscal year. Gross profit totaled \$20.1 million, or 37.7% of net sales, compared to \$23.0 million, or 39.5% of net sales in the comparable period of fiscal year 2001. Net income amounted to \$1.1 million, or 2.1% of net sales, compared to \$3.1 million, or 5.3% of net sales in the same period last fiscal year. Diluted earnings per share equaled \$0.10 compared to \$0.27 in the second quarter last fiscal year based upon 11.6 million common shares outstanding.

Net sales in North America amounted to \$15.4 million, an increase of 44.1%. In Europe/Asia, net sales decreased by 20.1% to \$38.0 million.

Order entry for the second quarter was \$49.7 million compared to \$51.4 million in the previous quarter. This resulted in an order backlog of \$51.9 million on March 31, 2002, about \$3.7 million or 6.7% lower than in the previous quarter. Whereas order intake for micro and marking lasers is still around 20% below last years average, orders in the macro business increased by 16% from the previous quarter.

The full text press release and further information including comprehensive financial data is available in the internet at www.rofin.com – Investor Relations – Press Releases.