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LulzBot 3D Printers Fuel Fastest-Growing Privately Held Computer Hardware Company in the United States

LOVELAND, COLORADO, USA – Aleph Objects, Inc. ranked No. 122 on Inc. Magazine's 35th annual Inc. 500, the most prestigious ranking of the fastest-growing private companies in the United States. Aleph Objects achieved 2,782 percent three-year sales growth of the company's award-winning LulzBot line of desktop 3D printers, parts, and plastics, leading all computer hardware companies.

As the 3D printing industry continues to mature with a flight to quality, the company's high-quality LulzBot 3D printers that respect user freedom are winning with users. According to an internal survey of the company's customers, over 98 percent report they would recommend LulzBot products.

The company's performance as the fastest-growing privately held computer hardware company in the United States is continuing with strong performance in 2016. Earlier this month the company announced:

- For the second quarter of 2016, the company reported revenue of US\$5.8 million, recording four consecutive profitable quarters
- Second quarter 2016 represents an 83 percent improvement in year-over-year revenue versus second quarter 2015
- Year-to-date 2016, the company reported profitable performance on revenue of US\$10.5 million

"We are honored to be named among the fastest-growing private companies in the United States and the fastest computer hardware company," Aleph Objects, Inc. President and CEO Jeff Moe said. "Our company's success shows the power of Free Software, Libre Innovation, and Open Source Hardware, and we look forward to continuing this growth in the years to come."

The 2016 Inc. 500, unveiled online at Inc.com and with the top 500 companies featured in the September issue of Inc. (available on newsstands Aug. 23), is the most competitive crop in the list's history. The average company on the list achieved three-year growth of 433 percent, putting Aleph Objects' performance in even more impressive context. Complete results of the Inc. 500, including company profiles and an interactive database that can be sorted by industry, region, and other criteria, can be found at www.inc.com/inc5000.

"The Inc. 5000 list stands out where it really counts," says Inc. President and Editor-In-Chief Eric Schurenberg. "It honors real achievement by a founder or a team of them. No one makes the Inc. 5000 without building something great – usually from scratch. That's one of the hardest things to do in business, as every company founder knows. But without it, free enterprise fails."

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Methodology

The 2016 Inc. 5000 is ranked according to percentage revenue growth when comparing 2012 to 2015. To qualify, companies must have been founded and generating revenue by March 31, 2012. They had to be U.S.-based, privately held, for profit, and independent—not subsidiaries or divisions of other companies—as of December 31, 2015. (Since then, a number of companies on the list have gone public or been acquired.) The minimum revenue required for 2012 is \$100,000; the minimum for 2015 is \$2 million. As always, Inc. reserves the right to decline applicants for subjective reasons. Companies on the Inc. 500 are featured in Inc.'s September issue. They represent the top tier of the Inc. 5000, which can be found at <http://www.inc.com/inc5000>.

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Praise for LulzBot Desktop 3D Printers

LulzBot desktop 3D printers are widely acclaimed by critics and customers alike for reliability, robustness, respect of user freedom, ease of use, excellent customer support, and extensive documentation.

Praise for the LulzBot TAZ

Aniwa 2016 Best 3D Printers (No. 1 out of 980)
Tom's Guide "Editors' Choice"
Make: 2016 Guide "Best Overall"
Make: 2016 Guide "Outstanding Open Source"
Make: 2015 Guide "Most Maker Machine"

3D Hubs 2016 Buyers Guide "Best of Enthusiast"
3DPrint.com 2015 Buyers Guide
3DForged "Best Printer Under \$3,000"
3D Printing Industry "Top 3D Printer Under \$2,500"

Praise for the LulzBot Mini

Aniwa 2016 Best 3D Printers (No. 4 out of 980)
PCMag "Editors' Choice"
Inc. "15 Coolest Products of 2015"
Tom's Guide "Editors' Choice"
Tech Radar "10 Best 3D Printers 2015"

3D Hubs 2016 Buyers Guide "Best of Plug 'N' Play"
3DPrint.com 2015 Buyers Guide
3DForged "Best 3D Printers 2016"
3D Printing Industry "Top 3D Printer Under \$2,500"

About Aleph Objects, Inc.

Founded in January 2011 and built on the philosophy of freedom, Aleph Objects, Inc. is a Free Software, Libre Innovation, and Open Source Hardware company. Headquartered in Loveland, Colorado, USA, Aleph Objects designs, develops, and manufactures the LulzBot line of 3D printers, parts, and plastics. Learn more online at LulzBot.com.

Praise for Aleph Objects

Top 250 Private Companies (*CoBizMag*)
Colorado Companies to Watch – Winner (*CCTW*)
Colorado Company of the Year – Runner-Up (*CTA*)

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Fastest Growing Co. in Northern Colorado (*BizWest*)
Small Business of the Year – Finalist (*FCACC*)

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