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## Virtual Radiologic Awarded Its 12th and 13th Patents

**MINNEAPOLIS, MN** — (December 17, 2013) – <u>Virtual Radiologic</u> (vRad), the nation's largest radiology practice, announced today that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has issued the Company's 12th and 13th patents. Patent No. 8,612,250, titled "Multiple Resource and Planning System," and Patent No. 8,612,253, titled "Medical Image Metadata Processing," further enhance vRad's patent portfolio covering its teleradiology image processing, multiple resource planning and workflow systems, with the patents including additional claims around the processing and assignment of complex medical diagnostic imaging evaluation orders.

"These patents are the latest in vRad's innovative approaches for streamlining radiology workflow that improves productivity by intelligently forwarding the right study to the right radiologist as quickly and cost-efficiently as possible," said Jim Burke, CEO of vRad. "As the nation's largest radiology practice, it is our responsibility to make the significant technology investments needed to advance the practice of radiology and provide the best service and care possible to our clients and the patients we collectively serve."

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Virtual Radiologic (vRad) is a technology-enabled national radiology practice working in partnership with local radiologists and hospitals to optimize radiology's pivotal role in patient care. vRad's more than 450 radiologists serve over 2,000 facilities, reading more than 7 million studies annually. Delivering access to extensive subspecialty coverage, vRad contributes to improved quality of patient care. And with its next-generation technology, vRad enhances productivity, helping to lower the overall cost of care while expediting time to accurate diagnosis and treatment. For more information, visit <a href="www.vrad.com">www.vrad.com</a>. For real-time updates, follow us on Twitter (@vRad), or "like" us on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a>.