

Zimmer Announces Launch of Viewline Retractor System, Tube Retraction System and Posterior Instrument Set for Minimally Invasive Spinal Surgery

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State-of-the-Art Retraction System Offers a Comprehensive Tube and Retractor Blade Selection for MIS Posterior Access Spine Surgery

MINNEAPOLIS, October 31, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Zimmer Spine, Inc. today announced that the Company has launched the *Viewline* Tube Retraction System, *Viewline* Retractor System, and *Viewline* Posterior MIS Instrument Set to facilitate exposure, retraction, decompression and disc preparation for MIS TLIF/PLIF/PLF and microdiscectomy procedures.

The *Viewline* Tube Retraction System features 40mm through 120mm tube length options, as well as three tube diameters to accommodate a range of spinal anatomy. The *Viewline* Retractor System offers 50mm through 120mm blade options with 30° of blade pivoting for maximum access through a smaller incision, as well as two, three or four blades that move independently for maximum customization. Both *Viewline* Systems feature an innovative angled attachment arm to minimize tube profile, a rotating table clamp providing rigid stabilization and a cool LED light source to improve visualization while reducing heat exposure during surgery.

"For the spine surgeon who performs minimally invasive TLIF and PLIF procedures, the *Viewline* Systems provide comprehensive versatility for MIS posterior access," said Steve Healy, President, Zimmer Spine. "Combined with the *PathFinder NXT*® Minimally Invasive Pedicle Screw System and the *TM Ardis*® Interbody System, these state-of-the-art retractor systems enhance Zimmer Spine's complete, minimally invasive TLIF and PLIF procedural solution."

About Zimmer Spine

Headquartered in Minneapolis, Zimmer Spine is a global leader in spine innovation, dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for spine patients worldwide by delivering comprehensive surgical solutions, training and clinical support that advance and support surgeons. Zimmer Spine is a division of Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE and SIX: ZMH), a leading manufacturer and provider of orthopaedic

reconstructive, spinal and trauma devices, dental implants and related surgical products for orthopaedic professionals in over 100 countries. Founded in 1927 and headquartered in Warsaw, Indiana, Zimmer has operations in more than 25 countries. Zimmer's 2012 sales were approximately \$4.5 billion. The Company is supported by the efforts of more than 9,000 employees worldwide. For more information, please visit our website at www.zimmer.com.