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Freeport, PA – October 19, 2005 – RAPT Industries is pleased to announce that it is one of 22 companies nationwide selected for Phase 2 SBIR funding from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). The 18-month, \$600,000 contract will enable RAPT to develop and demonstrate its rapid precision optics manufacturing process for lightweight silicon carbide mirrors for Earth and space-based applications. RAPT's proprietary Reactive Atom Plasma (RAP) process can rapidly shape SiC optical substrates without introducing sub-surface damage, resulting in a rapid and economical production cycle for finished SiC mirrors.