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**3D Systems to move some work to Colorado // MANUFACTURING: The company's headquarters will remain in Valencia, but it will build a new plant in Grand Junction.**

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3D Systems Corp. said Friday that it is moving its manufacturing and many other departments to Colorado.

Valencia is losing out to Grand Junction \_ a town of 35,000 residents set amid vineyards, orchards and lakes \_ as the site of a 67,000-square-foot plant to be built at a cost of \$4 million that initially will create 100 jobs. In the next few years, it will be expanded to 180,000 square feet and employ 400.

"We did an extensive site survey including possible locations in Southern California," said Arthur B. Sims, the chairman and chief executive of 3D Systems, which makes machines that translate three-dimensional images into prototype models. "Our primary objective in moving to Grand Junction was really to move our manufacturing out of the earthquake belt."

Sims said the Northridge quake did minor damage to its Valencia facility, but nearby companies did not fare as well.

The move is expected to affect 50 out of 200 employees, since company headquarters will stay in Valencia, located north of Los Angeles. Sims said workers will be given a chance to relocate to Colorado. He expects 20 to 30 will accept the offer.

The company was attracted to Grand Junction's good business climate, favorable cost of living and strategic location near major suppliers. 3D also received economic incentives from Colorado, said Sims, who would not disclose specific terms.

The move comes at a time when the nine-year-old company, which had been losing money from 1986 to 1992, is reporting robust earnings and revenues.

The Grand Junction plant broke ground Friday.

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