

Agere Systems Recognizes Synopsys as Best-in-Class Supplier

Strategic Supplier Award Cites Synopsys' Outstanding Solutions, Service and Support

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Synopsys, Inc. (NASDAQ: SNPS), a world leader in semiconductor design software, today announced that Agere Systems, a global leader in semiconductors for storage, wireless data, and public and enterprise networks, has named Synopsys as the recipient of a Best-in-Class Supplier award for 2004. Synopsys was one of four companies singled out to receive a special award in its respective service area out of all Agere suppliers. The award cited Synopsys as best in class in General Procurement because the company " ... led its competitors by providing great service for Agere's design teams, a broad portfolio of competitive solutions, and flexibility."

Agere established the Strategic Supplier Initiative in 2003 to acknowledge companies that are most important for Agere's long-term success. At the awards ceremony in early December, Agere welcomed executive representatives of the company's strategic suppliers to its campus in Lehigh Valley, Pa. to thank them for their past support and strategize for continued success in the coming year.

"Synopsys is one of Agere's primary electronic design automation (EDA) suppliers that provide design solutions, consulting, development and maintenance services for designing integrated circuits (ICs)," said Tom Linton, chief procurement officer at Agere Systems. "Synopsys excels in providing Agere with strong service and support through its on-site application engineers while simultaneously helping to drive down Agere's EDA costs to help us reach our financial goals."

"It's gratifying to represent EDA in receiving this special award from a world-class semiconductor provider like Agere Systems," said Chi-Foon Chan, president and COO for Synopsys. "Synopsys continually strives to give our customers the best solutions, support and service to help them design their complex ICs and systems. Having Synopsys highlighted from a mix of companies and industries reflects our ongoing commitment to excellence. Moving forward, we will continue to work closely with Agere to help ensure their continued satisfaction and silicon design success."

About Synopsys

Synopsys, Inc. is a world leader in electronic design automation (EDA) software for semiconductor design. The company delivers technology-leading semiconductor design and verification platforms and IC manufacturing software products to the global electronics market, enabling the development and production of complex systems-on-chips (SoCs). Synopsys also provides intellectual property and design services to simplify the design process and accelerate time-to-market for its customers. Synopsys is headquartered in Mountain View, California and has offices in more than 60 locations throughout North America, Europe, Japan and Asia. Visit Synopsys online at <http://www.synopsys.com/>.

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