Philips Extends and Expands Standardization on Synopsys Galaxy Front-End Design Platform for Advanced Semiconductor Process Technologies

Agreement Increases Usage of Synopsys Products at Philips and Expands to Power Management and Design-for-Testability

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Synopsys, Inc. (NASDAQ: SNPS), the world leader in semiconductor design software, today announced that Royal Philips Electronics (NYSE: PHG) has signed a new multi-year volume purchase agreement with Synopsys, extending and expanding deployment of Synopsys Galaxy™ front-end design platform for Philips' semiconductor activities. The new agreement also expands Philips' use of Galaxy tools in the key design areas of power management and design-for-testability. Philips will use the products mainly for designs targeting its CMOS090 (90 nanometer) and CMOS065 (65 nanometer) semiconductor processes and beyond.

"Philips' standardization on Galaxy front-end tools in its reference design flow contributes to the first-time right success rate of its advanced products. Getting a single reference design flow using the best EDA tools available is important in helping reach this goal," said Lambert van den Hoven, vice president and general manager, Design Technology Group (DTG), Philips Semiconductors. "With the recent electronics recession behind us, Philips' semiconductor division has turned its attention to growth and the Synopsys agreement is structured to grow with our business. We have been successful with Synopsys' tools for many years and we look forward to continue this successful partnership."

"As a leader in the consumer and mobile electronics sectors, Philips is designing some of the most demanding chips using the most advanced silicon technologies," said Antun Domic, senior vice president and general manager of Synopsys' Implementation Group. "By extending and expanding our partnership, we will be working with Philips to continue to meet their designs schedules while additionally solving the challenging problems of power consumption and advanced testability that are prevalent in 90 nanometer designs and below."

About Synopsys

Synopsys, Inc. is the 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 more than 60 offices located throughout North America, Europe, Japan and Asia. Visit Synopsys online at www.synopsys.com.

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