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Mountain View Alliance Announces the Communications Platforms Trade Association as Newest Member

Mountain View, CA – August 7, 2006:

The Mountain View Alliance (MVA), a consortium of open specification development organizations today announced a new member – the Communications Platforms Trade Association (CP-TA.) This brings the MVA membership to seven organizations representing more than 500 companies ranging from carriers to component vendors. CP-TA was formed to accelerate adoption of SIG-governed, open specification-based communications platforms through interoperability certification.

“Industry collaboration is critical for driving a mainstream market for open industry standards-based communications platforms,” said Shlomo Pri-Tal, CP-TA Chairman. “The Mountain View Alliance members include almost all of the key organizations that we are working with and our participation is a great forum to promote our message of interoperability.”

“Platform interoperability is the ultimate goal for all MVA members,” said Jon Kenton, Service Availability Forum Representative for the MVA. “CP-TA’s laser focus on in-the-box interoperability will be a key addition to the MVA’s marketing and education activities.”

With industry collaboration, the CP-TA is driving a mainstream market for standards-based communications platforms by certifying interoperable building blocks. CP-TA members are developing a test procedure manual and test suites that define objective and verifiable interoperability criteria such as thermal, system management and Carrier grade OS. Both will be developed for hardware and software building blocks based on existing open industry standards from organizations such as MVA members PICMG and the Service Availability Forum, and to the system-level profiles developed by SCOPE. Initially, CP-TA is focused on certifying building blocks to interoperability requirements based on PICMG standards. For more information on CP-TA, visit www.cp-ta.org.

The Mountain View Alliance promotes an environment for coexistence and compatibility among specification organizations so that real applications can be created from commercial off the shelf (COTS) building blocks. The group is making significant progress in harmonizing marketing messages and activities as well as facilitating communications among member organizations. The group’s founding members have been holding regular meetings since December 2004.

About the Mountain View Alliance:

The mission of the Mountain View Alliance is to accelerate the adoption of platforms and building blocks based on the specifications of member organizations. The goal of the Alliance is to optimize effectiveness of its member organizations through coordinated marketing activities including joint trade show participation, joint meetings, and outreach activities. As the need arises, the Mountain View Alliance will also facilitate multi-faceted co-operation between its member organizations. Through such activities, the Mountain View Alliance aims to promote a diverse and thriving ecosystem of open-specification based components and platforms.

The Mountain View Alliance members are: the Communications Platforms Trade Association™, OCAF, the Optical Internetworking Forum, PICMG®, SCOPE, the Service Availability Forum®, and the RapidIO® Trade Association. For more information please see www.mountainviewalliance.org.

About the Communications Platforms Trade Association

The Communications Platforms Trade Association is a global organization of communications platform and building block providers whose mission is to accelerate the adoption of SIG-governed, open-specification based communication platforms through interoperability certification. Sponsor companies include Intel, Motorola, Artesyn Technologies, Fujitsu Siemens Computers, HP, Kontron, MontaVista Software, Nortel Networks and Wind River. For more information about the CP-TA, visit www.cp-ta.org.

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