
Elliptic Semiconductor welcomes Japan's foremost IP Distribution Company – Spinnaker Systems to Partners' Program.

January 26, 2004 – Yokohama, Japan and Ottawa, Canada. Elliptic Semiconductor, a leading company in broadband wireless semiconductor products, announced today that Spinnaker Systems has become a member of its Elliptic Alliance Partner Program (EAPP). Founded in 1995, Spinnaker distributes Semiconductor IP from leading companies such as Palmchip, Amphion etc.

“Elliptic's TCP/IP and security silicon IP solution is quite appealing to Japanese IDMs and network system vendors due to the high performance and low-power consumption. We've been dealing with silicon IP over 8 years and recognized as No.1 IP distributor in Japan. We feel very exciting that we can introduce Elliptic products to our wide range of customers.” said Mr. Kazuo Fukushima, President of Spinnaker Systems Inc.

”Elliptic is pleased to work with Spinnaker Systems, the premiere semiconductor IP distributor in Japan.” said Gord Harling, President and CEO of Elliptic Semiconductor. “The combination of SIP and EDA tools is perfect as a distribution model as it allows Spinnaker to maintain contacts with the entire customer base of key decision makers in Japan's powerful semiconductor companies.”

Elliptic will make available, through EAPP, its entire family of virtual components, which encompass ultra-low power TCP/IP protocol processors with integrated security including secure socket layer (SSL) and Internet Security protocol (IPSec) support. In addition, the complete family of highly optimized ciphers, hashing engines, complete SSL record processing engines and an IPSec security engine are part of the portfolio.

About Elliptic Semiconductor

Headquartered in Ottawa, Elliptic Semiconductor Inc (www.ellipticsemi.com) provides semiconductor products for low power designs of packet offload and security processing for wireless and handheld devices. The products offload the host processor and greatly reduce the power required for data transmission in 802.11, Ultra-wideband, Bluetooth, W-CDMA, CDMA-2000, EDGE and many other wireless data services. Working in the most advanced semiconductor processes, Elliptic Semiconductor will become the leading player in the emerging semiconductor intellectual property market.

About Spinnaker Systems

Founded in 1995, Spinnaker Systems Inc. has marketed many Electronic Design Automation software and semiconductor Intellectual Property (SIP) in Japan and has extensive experience in both the sales and support of these tools and SIP. Since 2000, Spinnaker has been a wholly owned subsidiary of PALTEK Corp. (JASDAQ: 7587), one of the major distributors of ALTERA PLD/FPGA. Spinnaker Systems is based at Shin-Yokohama Square Bldg., Shin-Yokohama, Kouhoku-ku, Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa, Japan. For more information, see our website: www.spinnaker.co.jp

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