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Magillem and Sonics Announce Joint Donation of IP-XACT Support of OCP Protocols to the OCP-International Partnership

PARIS, France, and MILPITAS, Calif. – June 10, 2008 – Magillem SA, the leading provider of solutions designed to reduce the global cost of complex designs and Sonics Inc., a premier supplier of system-on-chip (SoC) SMART Interconnect™ solutions, announce today the joint donation of the IP-XACT support of OCP protocols to the OCP-IP. Magillem and Sonics are sponsors of the OCP-IP Consortium.

This donation is a major step towards supporting OCP protocols in IP-XACT 1.4 with dedicated vendor extensions. This will enable:

- Document exchange in an IP-XACT format on OCP-IP interface blocks,
- Automated integration of modules using OCP-IP within the IP-XACT flow.

The approach has numerous benefits including:

- bus interface definitions format remain IP-XACT
- vendor extensions allow tools to perform automatic consistency checks between bus interface definitions and OCP parameters
- dependency rules are defined in a single OCP abstraction definition
 - no need to redefine them on a OCP component
 - ensures OCP compatibility of all OCP bus interfaces
- supports single/multiple OCP interfaces on an OCP component

“The support of OCP protocols in IP-XACT is a major step towards interoperability and reusability of IPs. OCP-IP has been very successful and we now welcome all the OCP users into the IP-XACT ecosystem, rapidly expanding the outreach and the community,” said Magillem CTO Cyril Spasevski.

In addition to the donation, Magillem and Sonics will act as the main editors in completing a prototype instantiation. Both companies will also assist the OCP-IP in implementing consistency and compliance checkers based on the IP-XACT description.

“With this donation of IP-XACT support of OCP protocols, Sonics continues its commitment to the OCP-IP,” said Sonics CTO Drew Wingard. “The additional IP-XACT support will enable SoC designers to streamline design flows through increased tools compatibility”

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About MAGILLEM

Magillem Design Services provides customers with tools and services that drastically reduce the global cost of complex design, help them preserve their independence from EDA vendors and their investment by relying on a worldwide adopted format: IP-XACT by the SPIRIT consortium™ (soon to be IEEE 1685). Clients are semiconductor manufacturers (ASICs, ASSPs), system integrators and information technology companies engaged in the research, design, development, manufacturing and integration of advanced technology systems and products (using ASICs and FPGA). Magillem is headquartered in Paris, France with a subsidiary in the USA and sales offices in Asia. The Magillem team has been a contributor to the IP-XACT specification since 2003 and is the only vendor providing a tool implementing all the versions including the latest one of the specification defined by The SPIRIT Consortium.

Magillem has established partnerships with EDA vendors, alliances with ASICs leaders, universities, and R&D European. For more information, visit www.magillem.com

About SONICS

Sonics Inc. is a premier supplier of SMART Interconnect solutions that deliver high SoC design predictability and increased design efficiency. Major semiconductor and systems companies including Broadcom, Samsung, Texas Instruments and Toshiba have applied Sonics' SMART Interconnect solutions in leading products in the wireless, digital multimedia and communications markets. Sonics is a privately-held company funded by Cadence Design Systems, Toshiba Corporation, Samsung Ventures and venture capital firms Investar Capital, TL Ventures, Smart Technology Ventures, and Easton Hunt Capital, among others. For more information, see www.sonicsinc.com.

About OCP-IP

The OCP International Partnership Association, Inc. (OCP-IP), formed in 2001, promotes and supports the Open Core Protocol (OCP) as the complete socket standard ensuring rapid creation and integration of interoperable virtual components. OCP-IP's Governing Steering Committee participants include: Nokia [NYSE: NOK], Sonics Inc., Synopsys [SNPS], Texas Instruments [NYSE: TXN], and Toshiba Semiconductor Group (including Toshiba America TAEC). OCP-IP is a non-profit corporation delivering the first fully supported, openly licensed, core-centric protocol comprehensively fulfilling system-level integration requirements. The OCP facilitates IP core reusability and reduces design time, risk, and manufacturing costs for SoC designs. For additional background and membership information, visit www.OCPIP.org.

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