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Alpha Launches Breakthrough Switch/Filter Technology for Wireless Handsets

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New aiP™ Solution Allows OEMs to Shorten Time-to-Market by Integrating Multiple RF Semiconductor Components in a Single, Module-based Platform

Alpha (Nasdaq: AHAA) announced today that it has introduced state-of-the-art switch/filter technology for wireless handsets. The switch/filter products combine multiple functions in a single, module-based platform. These products are based on the Company's Alpha Integration Platform™ (aiP™), a proprietary technique for the design, simulation, packaging and testing of RF modules.

"Alpha's proprietary switch/filter technology gives our OEM customers tremendous time-to-market and cost advantages," said Dave Fryklund, general manager of Alpha's Control business unit. "By integrating passive and filter functions into a single module, Alpha is providing simplified, 'black box' functionality that enables our customers to enhance product performance while occupying a much smaller footprint. That translates to dramatically reduced design and manufacturing lead times and faster time-to-market for next-generation products.

"Alpha's design team is doing an outstanding job in mobilizing all of our assets," Fryklund continued. "These include semiconductor technology, high-density, multi-layer packaging and high-volume manufacturing. This is a tremendous advantage for Alpha as we work to meet the needs of a rapidly expanding global roster of OEM customers in the wireless handset and infrastructure markets."

About Alpha

Alpha is a leading provider of RF integrated circuit-based solutions, including semiconductors and ceramic components, for the broadband and wireless communications markets. Alpha's switches, power amplifiers and discrete semiconductors are used by the world's leading broadband, infrastructure and wireless communications companies to enhance the speed, quality and performance of voice, data and video.

For more information, please visit the Company's Web site, www.alphaind.com.

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