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Superior Linearity and Efficiency Earn Conexant Status
as Primary Provider of CDMA Chipsets for
China Unicom's Nationwide Cellular Network

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., Feb. 26, 2002 - Conexant Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq: CNXT), a global leader in semiconductor system solutions for communications applications, today announced multiple design wins in China for its code division multiple access (CDMA) power amplifier modules (PAMs). These design wins represent 70 percent of the manufacturers approved by the Chinese government. They will be operating on the China United Communications Corporation's (China Unicom) recently launched nationwide CDMA cellular network. The network is expected to support approximately 15 million subscribers by the end of 2002, growing to 50 million subscribers by 2005.

"We're proud that our power amplifiers have been selected by the majority of handset providers for the China Unicom network," said Moiz Beguwala, senior vice president and general manager of Conexant's Wireless Communications Division. "Conexant's history in power amplifiers is marked by a number of industry firsts, and it is an honor to have earned the distinction of being the primary supplier of CDMA power amplifier modules for the launch of the China's nationwide CDMA network."

Conexant is the world's largest supplier of CDMA PAMs, and continues to lead the market in efficiency and linearity. The company's history in power amplifiers dates back to 1996, when the company commenced high-volume shipments supporting multi-band, multi-mode, digital wireless applications. Conexant was also the first to introduce high-volume, laminate-based PAMs used in global system for mobile communications (GSM) and time division multiple access (TDMA) applications. Today, virtually all of Conexant's PA solutions are implemented in modules.

Conexant's PAMs are based on a 50 GHz gallium arsenide (GaAs) heterojunction bipolar transistor (HBT) or GaAs indium gallium phosphide (InGaP) process technology. GaAs is the technology of choice for power amplifiers because of its ability to maximize a digital cellular handset's power efficiency and battery life. Conexant has an extensive portfolio of PA products that encompasses solutions for every major wireless standard including CDMA, WCDMA, GSM, TDMA, AMPS, and wireless local loop applications.

About Conexant

Conexant Systems, Inc. is a worldwide leader in semiconductor system solutions for communications applications. Conexant leverages its expertise in mixed-signal processing to deliver integrated systems and semiconductor products through three separate businesses that address the wireless communications, broadband access and Internet infrastructure markets. Conexant's wireless communications business is focused on providing power amplifiers, radio-frequency subsystems and complete systems solutions. The broadband access business develops and delivers integrated solutions that enable digital entertainment and information networks for the home and small office. Mindspeed Technologies, the company's Internet infrastructure business, designs, develops and sells a complete portfolio of semiconductor networking solutions that facilitate the aggregation, transmission and switching of data, video and voice from the edge of the Internet to linked metropolitan area networks and long-haul networks. Conexant, headquartered in Newport Beach, Calif., delivered revenues of \$1.1 billion for fiscal 2001, and has approximately 6,900 employees worldwide. The company is a member of the S&P 500 and Nasdaq-100 indices. To learn more, visit us at www.conexant.com or www.mindspeed.com.

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