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**EDA CONSORTIUM AND SILICON VALLEY LEADERSHIP GROUP HOST AN EVENT
ON U. S. EXPORT REGULATIONS OCTOBER 18, 2007**

Protect your company's assets -- not being in export compliance is a criminal offense

SAN JOSE, California, October 1, 2007 – The Electronic Design Automation Consortium and Silicon Valley Leadership Group are hosting a seminar on export compliance. The event will be held at Cadence Design Systems in San Jose, CA on Thursday, October 18, 2007.

The featured speakers are:

- Bernie Kritzer, Director of the Office of National Security and Technology Transfer Controls, Bureau of Industry and Security, US Department of Commerce
- Larry Disenhof, Group Director, Export Compliance, Cadence Design Systems, and EDA Consortium Export Committee Chairman

US export regulations apply regardless of how US technology is transferred to a foreign person or company. This applies even in conversation to an employee in the United States on H1-B Visa. A review of compliance to US Export Regulations is now part of a standard M&A process, since companies are held liable for past export violations of organizations they have acquired. For this reason compliance to export regulations enhances the market value of your company. This seminar provides an overview of the regulations; gives a basic understanding of how the regulations apply to technology companies; and shows where to find the resources to build a compliance program.

"We have a great opportunity to hear from a senior government official and an industry expert about US export regulations as applied to our technology industry in this upcoming event," said Robert Gardner, Executive Director, of the EDA Consortium. "People think of exporting solely as physical boxes being shipped to international locations. With the advances made in communications technology there is now an environment where anyone can be an exporter right from their desktop."

"To compete and thrive in a global economy, Silicon Valley companies rely on knowing the most current rules of engagement for complying with trade and immigration regulations," said Carl Guardino, CEO of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group, which represents 210 employers.

"Employers of all sizes must have the tools and information necessary to be successful without impediments imposed by the U.S. government, which otherwise should be their strongest ally."

About the Seminar:

When: October 18, 2007

Where: Cadence Design Systems
Pebble Beach Conference Room, Building 5
2655 Seely Avenue
San Jose, CA

Agenda: Reception 5:30 PM
Seminar 6:30 PM

Cost: No charge for EDA Consortium and Silicon Valley Leadership Group members / \$50 for non-members

Sponsors: EDA Consortium, Silicon Valley Leadership Group and Cadence Design Systems
Please reserve your seat by registering online at: http://www.edac.org/invites/BIS_2007.htm

About the EDA Consortium

The EDA Consortium is the international association of companies that provide tools and services that enable engineers to create the world's electronic products. EDA is the critical technology used to design electronics for the communications, computer, space technology, medical and industrial equipment and consumer electronics markets among others. For more information about the EDA Consortium visit www.edac.org.

About the Silicon Valley Leadership Group

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group is organized to involve principal officers and senior managers of member companies in a cooperative effort with local, regional, state, and federal government officials to address major public policy issues affecting the economic health and quality of life in Silicon Valley. For more information contact www.svlg.org.

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