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Symwave Achieves World's First USB 3.0 Device Silicon Certification

SW6316 Storage Controller Successfully Passes all USB-IF SuperSpeed USB 3.0 Compliance Testing

LAGUNA NIGUEL, Calif., December 31, 2009 – Symwave, a leading silicon supplier of system solutions for SuperSpeed USB 3.0 devices, today announced that its SW6316 USB 3.0 to SATA storage controller has achieved the World's first USB 3.0 peripheral silicon certification by the USB Implementers Forum (USB-IF). The USB-IF initiated the USB 3.0 (SuperSpeed USB) Compliance and Certification Program in September and is considered the gold standard for testing USB products. The certification of Symwave's device means that Symwave's OEM customers can feature the "SuperSpeed Certified" logo on their products, giving consumers the ultimate confidence of interoperability, compliance, and performance as set forth by the USB-IF.

"Symwave has demonstrated several SuperSpeed USB 3.0 World's firsts including a physical layer device (PHY), a single chip USB 3.0 to SATA storage controller, a dual-drive RAID storage controller delivering 400 MB/s, and now the World's first USB 3.0 device certification. Compliance to industry standards is essential to the successful deployment and broad market adoption of any new technology, and the USB-IF demonstrated great leadership by launching a compliance program early," said Yossi Cohen, President and CEO of Symwave. "Working with the USB-IF team over many months at the forefront of the test procedures development was both challenging and rewarding. Our OEM customers' products can now prominently display the "SuperSpeed Certified" Logo which consumers have come to recognize as assurance that the product meets the highest standards."

About Symwave, Inc.

Symwave is a global fabless semiconductor company developing connectivity SoCs (Systems-on-Chip) and software solutions that enable PCs and other consumer electronic devices to realize the benefits of SuperSpeed USB 3.0. The USB 3.0 standard improves device power management, transfers data tenfold faster and maintains backwards compatibility with the

billions of USB ports shipped to date. Symwave's high-performance analog/mixed-signal products leverage the company's proprietary technology, IP and silicon design capabilities to bring the benefits of uncompromised speed in low-cost standard CMOS processes. The company is privately held with headquarters in Orange County, Calif., and design centers in Shenzhen, China, and San Diego, Calif. Symwave is backed by top-tier venture capital firms including Kodiak Venture Partners and CMEA Ventures and an investment by SMSC (NASDAQ: SMSC). Additional information is available at www.symwave.com.

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