Authorities Approve ASML Acquisition of HMI

HSINCHU, Taiwan, 26 October 2016 – Hermes Microvision, Inc. (HMI) today announces that the Korean Fair Trade Commission has approved the transaction under which ASML will acquire all outstanding shares of HMI, as announced on 16 June 2016.

Clearance of the transaction has previously been granted by the Taiwanese Fair Trade Commission, the Competition Commission of Singapore, the Korean Fair Trade Commission, the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), and the Investment Commission of Taiwan. As a result, clearance has been obtained from all necessary authorities. Furthermore, the shareholders of HMI approved the transaction on 3 August 2016.

HMI’s Board of Directors approved on October 8 that the record date of share conversion to be November 22, 2016.

About ASML

ASML is one of the world’s leading manufacturers of chip-making equipment. Our vision is to enable affordable microelectronics that improve the quality of life. To achieve this, our mission is to invent, develop, manufacture and service advanced technology for high-tech lithography, metrology and software solutions for the semiconductor industry. ASML’s guiding principle is
continuing Moore's Law towards ever smaller, cheaper, more powerful and energy-efficient semiconductors. This results in increasingly powerful and capable electronics that enable the world to progress within a multitude of fields, including healthcare, technology, communications, energy, mobility, and entertainment. We are a multinational company with over 70 locations in 16 countries, headquartered in Veldhoven, the Netherlands. We employ close to 15,000 people on payroll and flexible contracts (expressed in full time equivalents). ASML is traded on Euronext Amsterdam and NASDAQ under the symbol ASML. More information about ASML, our products and technology, and career opportunities is available on: www.ASML.com

About HMI

Established in 1998, HMI has been committed to the research and development of the most advanced E-beam Inspection (EBI) tools and solutions for the leading semiconductor manufacturing fabs. Today, HMI is the leading supplier of EBI tools for both foundry and memory fabs worldwide. Based on our proprietary electron gun and column technologies and highly effective defect inspection algorithms, we deliver multiple product lines, including eScan® Series / ePTM Series / eXplore® Series, for various R&D and production applications.

The e-beam system used by HMI is ideally positioned for sub-10 nm logic nodes, because of e-beam's ability to see in great detail even the tiniest features on these very advanced chips.
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