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US-TAIWAN BUSINESS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES SPEAKERS FOR TAIWAN + CHINA SEMICONDUCTOR OUTLOOK 2006

The US-Taiwan Business Council today announced the speakers for *Taiwan + China Semiconductor Outlook 2006*. This half-day conference, scheduled for January 12, 2006 in Santa Clara, California, is the third in a series of events focusing on the challenges and opportunities presented by the increasing integration of the U.S., Taiwan, and China semiconductor markets.

The Outlook 2006 conference will feature keynote addresses by:

- Dr. Rick Tsai, President & Chief Executive Officer, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, Ltd. (TSMC)
- David McCormick, Under Secretary, Bureau of Industry & Security, U.S. Department of Commerce

In addition, a conference panel discussion will feature presentations and analysis by:

- Dr. William Chen, Senior Advisor, ASE (US), Inc.
- Charles Freeman, Managing Director, The China Alliance, Armstrong Teasdale, LLP
- Robert Parker, Chairman, Parker Price Venture Capital, Inc.
- Ed Pausa, Director of Strategic Technology Services, Global Technology Centre, PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Dr. Ford Tamer, SVP & GM, Networking Infrastructure Group, Broadcom Corporation

Outlook 2006 provides an opportunity for the technology industry to hear high-level government and industry perspectives on the future course of business in the Taiwan and China markets. The conference promotes dialogue between the industry and policymaking communities on a number of issues, including intellectual property rights (IPR) protection, technology security, industry competitiveness, export controls, and supply chain integration. In addition, the event focuses on how cooperation between the U.S., Taiwan, and China can be beneficial to the future growth and development of the semiconductor industry.

Corporate sponsors include Applied Materials, Inc. and TSMC. Association sponsors include FSA, SEMI North America, the Semiconductor Industry Association (SIA), and the Taiwan Semiconductor Industry Association (TSIA).

The attendee registration fee for this event is US\$175. For more information on the conference and to register online, please visit www.taiwan-china-outlook.com.

About the US-Taiwan Business Council:

The US-Taiwan Business Council (www.us-taiwan.org) is a membership-based non-profit association founded in 1976. The Council provides its members with business intelligence, offers access to a network of companies involved in business between Taiwan and the United States, and serves as a vital representative in dealing with investment, business development, and intellectual property matters.

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