



Press Release

SPiDCOM steps up to the HomePlug Powerline Alliance Board of Directors

The European HomePlug AV silicon provider expands its role inside the world's leading powerline communication trade association. Doing so, SPiDCOM takes a leadership role in the alliance and strengthens its long-time technology contributions to HomePlug standards.

Paris, France, May 15th, 2009 – SPiDCOM Technologies today announced that it has signed on as Sponsor Member to the HomePlug Powerline Alliance, the highest level of membership available. It will from now on be part of the Board of Directors, the decision-maker body of the organization.

HomePlug Powerline Alliance is the leading powerline communication trade association, with more than 70 members, the largest installed base of products, silicon multisourcing and the industry's only comprehensive certification program.

SPiDCOM Technologies has a long-time involvement to the HomePlug Powerline Alliance.

Among serving and chairing key working groups of the Alliance (HomePlug BPL Working Group, HomePlug European Working Group), SPiDCOM has also been deeply involved in the HomePlug AV Specification Working Group formed to define the well-known standard for whole-house audio and high-definition entertainment networking. HomePlug AV is now widely deployed worldwide and is the baseline technology for the IEEE P1901 powerline specification.

“Joining the board, SPiDCOM takes a leadership role in the alliance and strengthens its long-time technology contributions to HomePlug standards”, said Frederic Onado, chief operating officer of SPiDCOM Technologies and also vice president EMEA of the HomePlug Powerline Alliance. “We are glad our newly released SPC300 HomePlug AV SoC belongs to the only multi silicon vendor powerline ecosystem in existence”.

SPiDCOM, the European HomePlug AV Silicon Provider

During CeBIT 2009 trade show, SPiDCOM presented its SPC300 HomePlug AV SoC. Based on a “no-limits” design approach (no processor limit, no application limit, no interface limit thanks to a gigabit Ethernet port), the SPC300 changes the way product designers implement HomePlug technology by allowing innovative solutions with less complexity and lower cost. SPiDCOM provides a Linux software and the development tools so that its partners can customize “no-limits” added-value applications; this way, SPC300 allows a complete product differentiation that is not merely depending on cost.



About SPiDCOM Technologies:

SPiDCOM Technologies is a fabless semiconductor company. It specializes in integrated circuits and Linux-based software bundles for Multimedia Home Networking, EoC (Ethernet over Coax), BPL Access, Smart Grid and other any wire based applications (powerline, coax, phonline).

SPiDCOM provides both proprietary & HomePlug AV standard based open solutions to its partners for “no-limits” product developments.

HomePlug AV is the baseline technology of the IEEE P1901 Powerline Communication standard.

About the HomePlug® Powerline Alliance :

The HomePlug Powerline Alliance, Inc. is an industry-led initiative established to create specifications and certification logo programs for using the powerlines for reliable home networking, broadband powerline access (BPL) within the IEEE P1901 initiative, and smart grid/smart house applications. The Alliance accelerates worldwide adoption for HomePlug technology through market development and user education programs. Membership in the Alliance has grown to include over 70 companies. Sponsor members include Cisco (CSCO); Comcast (CMCSK); GE Energy, an affiliate of General Electric Co. (NYSE: GE); Gige Semiconductor; Intellon Corporation (ITLN); Intel Corporation (INTC); Motorola (MOT); NEC Electronics Corporation (TSE: 6723); Sharp Laboratories of America; SPiDCOM Technologies; and Texas Instruments Incorporated (NYSE:TXN) (TI). Contributor members include Arkados (OTCBB: AKDS); Corporate Systems Engineering; Renesas Technology Corp., and Yitran Communications Ltd.

For more information on the HomePlug Powerline Alliance, please visit www.homeplug.org.

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