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Arrow Electronics and QP Semiconductor Partner to Provide Military B-Level Logic Products

MELVILLE, N.Y., Sept. 19, 2005 -- Arrow/Zeus Electronics, a North American Components division of Arrow Electronics, Inc. (NYSE: [ARW](#)), today announced that it has partnered with QP Semiconductor, supporting the Arrow/Zeus Supply Assurance Program, which guarantees a continued source for National Semiconductor's Military B-Level Logic product families. QP Semiconductor is a fabless manufacturer of high-reliability integrated circuits (ICs) for military and aerospace systems.

With this partnership, QP Semiconductor, which has both internal and offshore Qualified Manufacturers Lists- (QML-) certified manufacturing assembly, test, and qualification capabilities, will manufacture products built from National Semiconductor die, and provide QP Semiconductor-engineered devices for products where National Semiconductor die is unavailable. QP Semiconductor will be the Defense Supply Center, Columbus, (DSCC) QML manufacturer of record for these products. Arrow was recently chosen by National Semiconductor to be the exclusive global provider of its Military B-Level Logic products manufactured in accordance with MIL-PRF-38535 and MIL-STD-883 Class Q or Level B, which refer to products identified and marked as JAN B, /883, Q, QB, or QML.

"Our commitment to provide total parts solutions to the military, aerospace, and high-reliability markets combined with Arrow's innovative approach in supporting the needs of this vital market is a win-win scenario for all concerned," said John Stannard, president, QP Semiconductor.

"As a leading provider of QML, SMD, and MIL-STD-883-compliant products, and a QML-certified manufacturer with the capability to manufacture products from National Semiconductor's military-qualified die bank, QP Semiconductor was the logical choice for Arrow," said Frank Stalzer, vice president and general manager, Arrow/Zeus Electronics. "This partnership underscores Arrow/Zeus's commitment to serving the military and aerospace customer base."

About Arrow's North American Components Group

Based in Melville, New York, the North American Components (NAC) group of Arrow Electronics, Inc., is a leading provider of semiconductor and passives, electro mechanical and connector products, services, and supply chain solutions tailored to serve distinct customer segments with dedicated sales teams. Three primary, customer-focused NAC groups serve these market segments: The Arrow/Zeus Electronics Group targets the aerospace and military markets; the Arrow Electronics Components Group serves local OEM and contract manufacturing customers; and the Arrow Alliance Group focuses on large customers with complex needs.

Arrow Electronics is a major global provider of products, services, and solutions to industrial and commercial users of electronic components and computer products.

About QP Semiconductor

Founded in 1985 as a test services company, QP Semiconductor ranks today as one of the largest fabless manufacturers of high-reliability ICs for military/aerospace systems. From its headquarters in Santa Clara, California, QP applies design, re-engineering and a full range of manufacturing capabilities to extend the life of classic ICs for a host of mission-critical programs.