



European Patent Office Issues Rulings On Rambus Patent

LOS ALTOS, Calif., Sep 11, 2002 -- Rambus Inc., (NASDAQ:RMBS) announced that the European Patent Office (EPO) today made several rulings related to Rambus' European patent 0 525 068. The EPO affirmed the novelty and inventiveness of the patent, rejecting numerous "prior art" arguments raised by three major semiconductor manufacturers. The EPO also applied a unique aspect of European patent law, confirming the validity of Rambus' patent only as further amended to conform more closely to the language as originally filed in 1990. This last aspect of today's ruling, which reversed a prior EPO decision, will be appealed by Rambus. It is not expected to affect litigation in the United States, where different law applies and more extensive claim amendments are permitted.

"While aspects of today's ruling will likely complicate and delay the proceedings in Europe, we are pleased that the originality and inventiveness of our patents have been affirmed," said John Danforth, senior vice president and general counsel for Rambus.

Editor's Note: the Rambus claim language as amended today can be found on Rambus' website later today at www.rambus.com.

About Rambus

Rambus is the leading developer and marketer of breakthrough chip-to-chip interface technology, products and solutions to the electronics industry. The company licenses its technology in the form of ASIC cells that are incorporated into high-performance memory and logic chips by 25 of the world's top semiconductor makers. The company's ASIC cells and system-level solutions are incorporated into hundreds of unique electronic products. Rambus is a registered trademark of Rambus Inc. Other trademarks that may be mentioned in this release are the intellectual property of their respective owners.

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