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AHA Names Bill Thomson as President

PULLMAN, Wash. — Friday January 4, 2002 — Advanced Hardware Architectures (AHA) has appointed Bill Thomson as president, reporting to AHA chief executive officer and chairman of the board Dr. Patrick Owsley. Thomson will be charged with sales and production for the fabless semiconductor company based in Pullman, Washington. He heads up an experienced team of employees supporting the company's data compression and forward error correction devices.

Thomson has moved up through the ranks at AHA since joining the company in 1989. He has held a variety of engineering and sales positions in his 12 years with the company. Thomson has a close working relationship with most of AHA's major customers and a variety of industry organizations.

"With our new Turbo Product Codes forward error correction devices now in production, AHA is well positioned to take advantage of a rebound in the communications sector following a difficult year in 2001," said Owsley. "Our products are finding homes in a variety of applications, from satellite modems to broadband wireless communications links. Bill's experience with our customers and products makes him a key part of our growth for the years ahead."

Contact Bill at AHA's headquarters in Pullman, Washington by phone 509-334-1000 or email bthomson@aha.com

About AHA

Advanced Hardware Architectures develops and markets superior integrated circuits and intellectual property core technology for communications systems architects worldwide. AHA provides flexible, cost-effective solutions for today's growing bandwidth and reliability challenges. Located in Pullman, Wash., AHA has been setting the standard in Forward Error Correction technology for more than a decade and offers a variety of standard and custom IC solutions for the data communications industry. www.aha.com.

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