Mercury Computer Systems Launches a New Generation of Ensemble MicroTCA Platform Solutions

TOKYO, Jan 19, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Mercury extends its high-performance, small form factor solutions with the MCH2020 MicroTCA Carrier Hub (MCH) and chassis offering.

Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MRCY), a leading provider of high-performance, embedded computing solutions for image, sensor, and signal processing applications, announced availability of the Ensemble™ MCH2020 MicroTCA Carrier Hub and a 12-slot MicroTCA chassis - system components that can be combined with a wide range of current AdvancedMC mezzanine cards (AMCs) to create powerful, small form factor solutions.

"We are excited to be expanding our range of solutions in the fast-growing ATCA/MicroTCA market," said Mark Aslett, President and CEO of Mercury Computer Systems. "Customers in telecommunications and semiconductor manufacturing need to support very high data rates with consistent, low-latency processing power. Our Ensemble ATCA systems do that by combining the RapidIO switch fabric with a broad choice of processing elements. Now customers can use the same system architecture in a MicroTCA solution and achieve impressive levels of performance in a smaller, very cost-effective form factor."

The announcement was made in Tokyo, where Mercury has had significant success with its family of ATCA/MicroTCA products. "Mercury and our business partners are working together to help a number of Japanese customers address significant real-time computing challenges," said Ken Kimura, Representative Director of Nihon Mercury Computer Systems K. K. "These new MicroTCA platforms expand the range of technology options available to our combined solutions team."

The new Ensemble MCH2020 MicroTCA Carrier Hub provides the control and switching infrastructure for MicroTCA system configurations, with single-module support for three system fabrics: a Gigabit Ethernet base interface, a RapidIO® switch fabric, and an intelligent platform management interface (IPMI). The MCH2020 is the third-generation RapidIO switching module within the Ensemble product family, and it can be readily configured with any combination of Ensemble processing AMCs to create a high-performance, real-time system.

Robust system configurations can be built on the Ensemble MicroTCA Application Platform, a 4U, 19-inch rack-mountable MicroTCA chassis with 12 AMC slots and two switch/hub slots. This chassis supports high-bandwidth backplane communications with a dual-star RapidIO topology. Application developers can use this platform to combine extreme processing density with low-latency, deterministic communications.

For more information and availability on Mercury's comprehensive line of Ensemble solutions, visit www.mc.com/microtca, or contact Mercury at (866) 627-6951 or info@mc.com.

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Mercury Computer Systems (www.mc.com, NASDAQ: MRCY) provides embedded computing systems and software that combine image, signal, and sensor processing with information management for data-intensive applications. With deep expertise in optimizing algorithms and software and in leveraging industry-standard technologies, we work closely with customers to architect comprehensive, purpose-built solutions that capture, process, and present data for defense electronics, homeland security, and other computationally challenging commercial markets. Our dedication to performance excellence and collaborative innovation continues a 25-year history in enabling customers to gain the competitive advantage they need to stay at the forefront of the markets they serve.

Mercury is based in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, and serves customers worldwide through a broad network of direct sales offices, subsidiaries, and distributors.

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