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MPEG LA to Hold MPEG-4 License Information Meeting at Hotel Okura Tokyo on 10 February

(Denver, Colorado, US – 30 January 2003) – On Monday 10 February 2003, MPEG LA will hold a public information meeting concerning the MPEG-4 Visual and Systems Patent Portfolio Licenses in the Maple Room of the Hotel Okura Tokyo.

The information sessions will be organized according to the following schedule.

09:15 - 09:45	Introduction/Overview
09:45 - 10:30	MPEG-4 Visual Unique Use and Consumer Recorded Video
10:45 - 11:30	MPEG-4 Visual Internet Video
11:45 - 12:30	MPEG-4 Visual Stored Video
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch on own
14:00 -14:45	MPEG-4 Visual Mobile Video
15:00 - 15:45	MPEG-4 Systems
15:45 -16:00	Enterprise Licenses
16:15 - 17:00	Press Conference

All parties with an interest in using the MPEG-4 Visual and Systems standards are invited to attend any or all of these sessions. Mr. Baryn Futa, Chief Executive Officer, MPEG LA and Mr. Larry Horn, MPEG LA Vice President of Licensing and Business Development will be present.

During the last year, there has been substantial interest in the MPEG-4 patent licensing terms. MPEG LA received feedback across the different business sectors that will utilize MPEG-4 and marshaled 20 MPEG-4 Visual and 7 MPEG-4 Systems essential patent holders to consensus enabling MPEG LA to issue one-stop licenses that are responsive to marketplace needs. The MPEG-4 Visual Patent Portfolio License, which was issued on 25 November 2002, provides fair, reasonable, nondiscriminatory access under a single license to essential patents owned by Canon Inc.; Curitel Communications, Inc.; France Télécom, société anonyme; Fujitsu Limited; GE Technology Development, Inc.; General Instrument Corporation; Hitachi, Ltd.; KDDI Corporation; Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.; Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.; Microsoft Corporation; Mitsubishi Electric Corporation; Oki Electric Industry Co.; Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.; SANYO Electric Co., Ltd.; Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha; Sony Corporation; Telenor Communication II AS; Toshiba Corporation; and Victor Company of Japan, Limited.

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MPEG LA successfully pioneered one-stop technology standards licensing beginning with a portfolio of essential patents for the international digital video compression standard known as MPEG-2, which it began licensing in 1997. One-stop technology standards licensing enables widespread technological implementation, interoperability and use of fundamental technologies covered by many patents owned by many patent holders. MPEG LA provides users with fair, reasonable, nondiscriminatory access to these essential patents on a worldwide basis under a single license. For more information, please refer to <http://www.mpegla.com>, <http://www.1394la.com> and <http://www.dvbla.com>.