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**Cadence Launches ActiveParts Portal and Brings New  
Productivity-Boosting Technology to Latest OrCAD Release**

*Portal Provides PCB Design Teams Access to SupplyFrame for Component Information  
While New Technology Boosts Productivity*

SAN JOSE, Calif., Nov. 12, 2008 -- Cadence Design Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: CDNS), the leader in global electronic design innovation, today introduced its new ActiveParts Portal—an expansion of its ActiveParts online component data solution—that will offer PCB design teams even greater access to key component information. As part of the of the new ActiveParts Portal, Cadence is teaming with SupplyFrame, Inc., to provide engineers with new choices and even greater access to the component information they need to create their designs. In addition, Cadence announced new productivity-boosting technology and enhancements for the Cadence® OrCAD® Capture CIS and Allegro® Design Entry CIS products.

Technology and enhancements introduced for the OrCAD Capture CIS and Allegro Design Entry CIS products include a new capability called Context-aware Non-Linear Graphic Editing. The capability is a new schematic editing technology for dense designs that provides a magnifying auto-zoom between focus points during editing operations. This auto-zoom capability greatly increases productivity by dynamically magnifying the area under the cursor as the user moves within the canvas. The latest OrCAD release, version 16.2, contains several other ease of use and productivity enhancements within the OrCAD Capture CIS and PSpice A/D products.

The Cadence ActiveParts online database allows design engineers to find component information and directly incorporate symbols and data into the OrCAD Capture CIS and Allegro Design Entry CIS products. By collaborating with SupplyFrame as the first portal member, the ActiveParts Portal provides engineers with additional component information from a greater

number of suppliers, significantly expanding the availability of component data and part information for engineers.

“Our goal is to help mutual customers make fast and accurate design decisions by providing critical information directly from the component manufacturer at the time it is needed,” said Jeff Curie, vice president of Marketing at SupplyFrame. “This collaboration delivers the latest symbols, datasheets, specs and information on availability from thousands of manufacturers instantly from within the Cadence PCB design environment at no additional cost.”

”Cadence is committed to developing the technology PCB designers need to do their jobs as efficiently and effectively as possible,” said Josh Moore, senior product marketing manager at Cadence. “With the ActiveParts Portal and the additional new OrCAD technology, we’ve taken a big step forward.”

OrCAD Capture boasts productivity and usability improvements including an updated GUI and enhanced search capabilities enabling users to work more efficiently; further shortening the design cycle. New FPGA design-in features include the ability to create split symbols, import and export FPGA pin assignments for leading FPGA vendors tools, and ease-of-use improvements for supporting the ECO process for FPGAs.

## **About Cadence**

Cadence enables global electronic design innovation and plays an essential role in the creation of today's integrated circuits and electronics. Customers use Cadence software and hardware, methodologies, and services to design and verify advanced semiconductors, consumer electronics, networking and telecommunications equipment, and computer systems. Cadence reported 2007 revenues of approximately \$1.6 billion, and has approximately 5,100 employees. The company is headquartered in San Jose, Calif., with sales offices, design centers, and research facilities around the world to serve the global electronics industry. More information about the company, its products, and services is available at [www.cadence.com](http://www.cadence.com).

## **About SupplyFrame**

SupplyFrame ([www.supplyframe.com](http://www.supplyframe.com)) is a leading online publisher of technical and procurement information about electronic and industrial components. Content publishing is one piece of SupplyFrame's online performance-based marketing system designed for manufacturers

and distributors to promote products to engineering, procurement and manufacturing professionals globally.

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