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Vitesse Adds Industry Veteran, Steve M. Perna, as Vice President, Product Marketing

CAMARILLO, Calif., Aug 04, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) — Vitesse Semiconductor Corporation (Pink Sheets: VTSS), a leading provider of advanced IC solutions for Carrier and Enterprise networks, today announced that Steve M. Perna has joined the Company as vice president, Product Marketing. Mr. Perna is responsible for global execution of Vitesse's market strategy for all product lines. In this role, Mr. Perna reports to Chris Gardner, Vitesse's chief executive officer.

"We're delighted to welcome Steve to our organization. He brings tremendous marketing expertise and has a long track record of success," said Chris Gardner, CEO of Vitesse. "His arrival comes at a critical juncture for Vitesse as we deliver over 30 new products to the market this year. Steve will play a vital role in leading our global marketing strategy, securing design wins, cementing customer relationships, and growing both our revenue and market share."

Mr. Perna has 30 years of experience in the semiconductor industry, including both blue-chip companies and start-ups. He held various different senior-level roles with PMC-Sierra, Inc. from 1995 to 2007. Before joining PMC-Sierra, Mr. Perna spent 15 years as the Director of Marketing and Management at Texas Instruments in Dallas. He was most recently President and CEO at Wiquest Communications, a wireless networking start-up.

Mr. Perna earned a B.S. in chemical engineering from the University of Notre Dame in 1980. He also earned a Master of Business Administration in marketing management and an M.S. in corporate finance from the University of Dallas, as well as an M.S. in biomedical/electrical engineering from the University of Texas.

About Vitesse

Vitesse designs, develops and markets a diverse portfolio of high-performance, cost-competitive semiconductor solutions for Carrier and Enterprise networks worldwide. Engineering excellence and dedicated customer service distinguish Vitesse as an industry leader in high-performance Ethernet LAN, WAN, and RAN, Ethernet-over-SONET/SDH, Optical Transport (OTN), and best-in-class Signal Integrity and Physical Layer products for Ethernet, Fibre Channel, Serial Attached SCSI, InfiniBand(R), Video, and PCI Express applications. Additional company and product information is available at www.vitesse.com.

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