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## Quantum Design Receives President's "E" Award In Recognition Of Its Support Of U.S. Exports

SAN DIEGO, Calif. – May 13, 2010 – Recognizing its significant contributions to increasing U.S. exports, Quantum Design, Inc. received the Presidential "E" Award on Thursday, May 13. The award, presented at a ceremony in Washington, DC to Jerry Daviess, president of QD and David Schultz, CFO, recognized Quantum Design and other companies for their efforts in promoting and increasing U.S. exports.

"We are excited to receive this recognition for growing our business through exporting. As a world leader in cryogenic, materials characterization systems, we have always believed in the importance of expanding access to these tools through a strong global sales and distribution network," said Jerry Daviess, President for Quantum Design. "This recognition of our global export efforts and our role in the international scientific community validates Quantum Design's core company goal to provide the highest quality measurement systems and scientific instruments to scientists around the world."

Gary Locke, United States Secretary of Commerce, stated at the event, "President Obama's National Export Initiative goal of doubling U.S. exports and supporting 2 million jobs over the next five years has raised the profile of the importance of exports to our nation's continued economic recovery. Quantum Design is being honored today for its achievement in enhancing export growth which helps strengthen our economy and create American jobs." Locke continued, "I want to congratulate you on your achievement, and for supporting critical export-related jobs for American workers. President Obama's initiative was designed with one overriding goal: to get people back to work in jobs that provide security, dignity, and a sense of hope for the future. It's businesses like yours with a proven record of success that are going to help us meet or exceed that goal."

Created by President John F. Kennedy in 1961, the "E" and "E Star" Awards are the most prestigious export achievement honors conferred on US. companies. They were designed to give special recognition to those few outstanding companies and individuals who excelled in their effort to increase United States exports.

### **About Quantum Design**

Founded in 1982, Quantum Design is a privately held corporation that develops and markets advanced technology cryogenic systems and instruments for the scientific community. Quantum Design is widely recognized as the leading commercial source for integrated laboratory analytical systems incorporating superconducting technology. In addition, through its strong R&D focus and direct foreign offices in the world's major technology markets, QD has developed a worldwide distribution channel for research-based instruments developed by other technology leaders.