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Quantum Design International Announces New CEO

SAN DIEGO, Calif. – February 10, 2014 – Quantum Design is proud to announce that Jerry Daviess has been named the new CEO of Quantum Design International (QDI), the global holding company that oversees eight Quantum Design locations around the world, including Quantum Design Inc., in San Diego, California. Daviess’ appointment comes on the heels of Dr. Ron Sager’s (QDI co-founder and former CEO) announcement of semi-retirement at the company’s holiday party in December. The actions were made official at QDI’s annual board of director’s meeting yesterday.

"I can’t think of a better person to lead Quantum Design International into the future than Jerry Daviess,” stated Ron Sager at the announcement. “Jerry has overseen an incredible expansion of our business in his time here and I am sure that he will continue to offer a strong vision for our company as we move into the next 30 years.”

With the appointment of Mr. Daviess, Dr. Sager will remain Chairman of QDI, but will withdraw from day-to-day operations.

President of Quantum Design Inc., from 1996 to 2012, Jerry Daviess oversaw the company's business growth from $7M to nearly $56M. Mr. Daviess joined QD in 1995 as the Director of Sales and Marketing and is largely responsible for spearheading QD’s international expansion to an annual revenue of nearly $140 million in 2013. The international expansion included the incorporation of offices in China, India, Brazil, and most recently Taiwan. In this capacity, Jerry Daviess has established himself as both an excellent strategist for international business growth and as an operational manager in each of the company’s foreign offices (which also include offices throughout the EU, and also in Japan and Korea).

Founded in San Diego more than 30 years ago, and now with 420 employees worldwide (including 225 in San Diego), Quantum Design has continued to develop and expand its internationally respected lines of scientific measurement instruments along with its International distribution network. All of its core products are manufactured here in the United States (San Diego), and roughly 75% of QD's business consists of exports to other countries. In 2010, Quantum Design received the President’s "E" Award for Excellence in Exporting and also was named a winner of the TechAmerica High Tech Award.

Continuing its history of cryogenic innovation, Quantum Design recently expanded into a new 58,000 sq. ft. manufacturing facility designed for "lean" manufacturing and utilizing a building-wide, state-of-the-art helium gas recovery system developed in conjunction with its new line of automated, energy-efficient helium liquefiers.

About Quantum Design
Founded in 1982, Quantum Design Inc. 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, Quantum Design International has developed a worldwide distribution channel for its own industry leading instruments as well as for research-based instruments developed by other technology leaders.