

Silicon Motion Announces Appointment of Nelson S. Duann as Senior Vice President of Marketing and R&D

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TAIPEI, Taiwan and MILPITAS, Calif., Nov. 01, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Silicon Motion Technology Corporation (Nasdaq:SIMO) ("Silicon Motion" or the "Company") announced effective today, Nelson S. Duann has been appointed Senior Vice President of Marketing and R&D, reporting to Wallace Kou, President and CEO of Silicon Motion. Nelson S. Duann replaces Frank Chang, VP of R&D, as he retires after 17 years of service to the Company.

"Frank has been an invaluable member of our management team for more than 17 years and has helped shaped our technology and product development to enable us to become the global leader in memory controllers. We wish him well in his retirement," said Wallce Kou, President and CEO of Silicon Motion. "With Nelson's deep technical expertise and his long dedication to our company, he is the natural choice to lead our R&D team. There are tremendous growth opportunities ahead for Silicon Motion and I am confident that under Nelson's leadership, our R&D team will continue to execute and deliver the best-in-class solutions for our customers."

Nelson S. Duann became the Company's Senior Vice President in charge of our marketing and OEM business for mobile storage in July 2015. He joined Silicon Motion in August 2007 as a product marketing director and R&D team leader. Mr. Duann has almost 20 years of experience in the semiconductor industry in product design, development and marketing. Prior to Silicon Motion, he worked for Sun Microsystems Inc., focusing on UltraSPARC microprocessor projects. He has an MS in Communications Engineering from National Chiao Tung University in Taiwan and an MS in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University.

About Silicon Motion:

We are the global leader in supplying NAND flash controllers for solid state storage devices and the merchant leader in supplying SSD controllers. We have the broadest portfolio of controller technologies and our controllers are widely used in embedded storage products such as SSDs and eMMCs, which are found in smartphones, PCs, commercial and industrial applications. We ship over 750 million NAND controllers annually and have shipped over five billion NAND controllers in the last ten years, more than any other company in the world. We also supply specialized high-performance hyperscale data center and industrial SSD solutions. Our customers include most of the NAND flash vendors, storage device module makers, and leading OEMs. For further information on Silicon Motion, visit us at www.siliconmotion.com.

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