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**CIRANOVA ANNOUNCES 1000<sup>th</sup> USER DOWNLOAD OF PYCELL STUDIO**

Santa Clara, Calif., August 11, 2009 – Ciranova, Inc. announced a significant milestone in the proliferation of PyCells, the company’s next-generation architecture for parameterized cells (“pcells”), basic building blocks used analog/mixed-signal IC design. As of June 30, 2009, over 1,000 unique individuals have downloaded the company’s PyCell Studio development system. These individuals represent over 250 unique companies and over 50 universities.

“There’s a significant benefit to interoperable programmable layout cells usable across several Layout EDA environments,” said Vincent Ross, Sr. Manager, Analog Mixed Signal Circuit CAD of AMD. “We’re pleased with our PyCell results to date; the productivity of the object-oriented approach is especially promising. The PyCells provide the ability to bring advanced layout tools into our flows quickly.”

“Customers consistently tell us they need higher productivity in PDK development, both through interoperability and through fundamentally better handling of nanometer silicon complexity,” said Eric Filseth, CEO of Ciranova. “The use of PyCells has grown along with the use of OpenAccess, and especially along with the adoption of 65nm and below silicon by the world’s elite semiconductor companies.”

**About Ciranova**

Ciranova is electronic design automation (EDA) company focused on very large productivity improvements in RF, analog and mixed-signal IC physical design. Complementary to existing design flows, Ciranova technology dramatically reduces the time and effort needed to develop device-level layout at both the circuit and PDK levels. Ciranova supports the Si2 OpenAccess database.



## **About PyCells**

Ciranova's interoperable PyCells are a next-generation approach to parameterized cell development for custom IC design. The PyCell approach is fully object-oriented and generates DRC-correct device geometry automatically; the result is a dramatic reduction in the time needed to bring up nanometer process design kits (PDKs). PyCells run in any OpenAccess-capable EDA tool, and were selected by the Interoperable PDK Alliance ([www.iplnow.com](http://www.iplnow.com)) as its physical foundation. The PyCell Studio development system is a free download from <http://www.ciranova.com>.

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