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MPEG LA Lawsuit Against Alcatel Lucent Settled

(DENVER, CO, US – 29 March 2010) – MPEG LA, LLC, world leader in alternative one-stop patent licenses, today announced that an action brought by MPEG LA against Alcatel Lucent, Lucent Technologies Inc. (“Lucent”) and Multimedia Patent Trust in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware was settled last week

(http://www.mpegla.com/Lists/MPEG%20LA%20Legal%20Action%20List/Attachments/192/n_07-11-05_pr.pdf).

As part of the settlement, in addition to other consideration, the Multimedia Patent Trust will submit the patents that were diverted to it in conjunction with the 2006 merger between Lucent and Alcatel for a determination of essentiality in accordance with MPEG LA’s normal procedures. If it is determined that one or more of the patents are MPEG-2 Essential Patents or MPEG-2 Systems Essential Patents, the Multimedia Patent Trust will join the MPEG-2 Patent Portfolio License and/or the MPEG-2 Systems Patent Portfolio License as a Licensor and all such patents will be included.

The resolution of the case is consistent with the relief MPEG LA sought in its complaint.

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MPEG LA is the world leader in alternative technology licenses, enabling users to acquire worldwide patent rights necessary for a technology standard or platform from multiple patent owners in a single transaction as an alternative to negotiating individual licenses. Wherever an independently administered one-stop patent license would provide a convenient marketplace alternative to assist users with implementation of their technology choices, the licensing model pioneered and employed by MPEG LA may provide a solution. By balancing patent users' interest in reasonable access with patent owners' interest in reasonable return, MPEG LA creates the opportunity for adoption of new technologies and fuels innovation. MPEG LA's initial licensing program for MPEG-2 digital video compression helped produce the most widely employed standard in consumer electronics history, and the MPEG LA® Licensing Model has become the template for addressing other technologies. Today MPEG LA manages licensing programs consisting of essential patents in 57 countries. MPEG LA is an independent licensing administrator; it is not related to any standards agency and is not an affiliate of any patent holder. For more information, please refer to <http://www.mpegla.com>.