

OmniVision's 1.3-Megapixel CameraChipTM Enhances Functionality of Mobile Phones

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – Sept. 13, 2004 – OmniVision Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: OVTI) is shipping production volumes of its 1.3-megapixel OV9640 CameraChipTM to Siemens Information and Communication Mobile (Siemens mobile). Siemens has selected the OV9640 as the imaging system for its new S65 handset, Siemens' first mobile phone designed for high-performance still and video imaging. In addition to providing high-resolution still images, the OV9640 enables the S65 to generate MPEG4-format video images at up to 120 frames per second.

"We are pleased to be in partnership with a tier-one manufacturer of Siemens' caliber," said Jess Lee, Director of Product Marketing at OmniVision. "OmniVision remains committed to the development of higher-resolution image sensors for mobile applications, and Siemens has a well-deserved reputation for combining state-of-the-art design with exceptional reliability. With the inclusion of our 1.3-megapixel chip," said Lee, "the S65 continues Siemens' tradition of relentless innovation and establishes a new standard in multimedia functionality in a GSM handset."

Launched in February of 2004, the OV9640 CameraChip provides 1.3-megapixel resolution in a small-footprint, ¹/₄-inch design. It is a complete system-on-a-chip with full image processing, including exposure control, gamma correction, gain control, white balance, sharpness control, color saturation control, hue control, and windowing — all easily programmable through a standard serial interface. It features OmniVision's proprietary embedded algorithms, which eliminate digital effects such as smearing, fixed-pattern noise and blooming, along with VarioPixelTM technology, which provides superior performance in low-light conditions.

About OmniVision

OmniVision Technologies designs and markets high-performance semiconductor image sensors. Its OmniPixel and CameraChip products are highly integrated single-chip CMOS image sensors for mass-market consumer and commercial applications such as mobile phones, digital still cameras, security and surveillance systems, interactive video games, PCs and automotive imaging systems. Additional information is available at <u>www.ovt.com</u>.

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