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Mouser Leads Sponsorship of Global Create the Future Design Contest

Intel®, Analog Devices Partner in Endeavor to Encourage Technological Advancements

March 6, 2018 – <u>Mouser Electronics</u>, Inc., the New Product Introduction leader empowering innovation, is proud to once again sponsor the <u>Create the Future Design Contest</u>, a challenge to engineers and students worldwide to create the next great thing.

Mouser's valued manufacturers Intel and Analog Devices, Inc. are joining to sponsor the 16th annual contest, produced by Tech Briefs Media Group, an SAE International Company. COMSOL is also a principal sponsor of the contest.

The grand prize winner receives worldwide recognition and a cash prize of \$20,000 for an innovative product that benefits society and the economy. Previous contests have produced more than 12,000 design ideas from engineers, entrepreneurs and students in more than 100 countries. Last year's grand prize winner was HI-Light, a solar thermal chemical reactor, developed at Cornell University, that converts carbon monoxide and water into methanol and other high-value hydrocarbons.

"Fostering technical innovation is an investment in the future that will benefit everyone," said Kevin Hess, Mouser Electronics Senior Vice President of Marketing. "As a forward-looking company, Mouser is proud to have the continuing opportunity to support this important event for engineers and students around the world."

"Mouser Electronics is renowned for its support of innovation as well as for providing unmatched service to its customers and manufacturers," said Joseph Pramberger, President of Tech Briefs Media Group. "We are pleased to partner with such quality companies as Mouser, Intel and Analog Devices."

The Create the Future Design Contest brings attention to product designs that enhance quality of life, improve the efficiency and quality of healthcare or help to reduce dependence on nonrenewable energy sources. Previous grand prize-winning entries include an economical rapid screening device to prevent foodborne illness and a wheelchair propulsion system designed to increase the user's mobility while decreasing upper body repetitive strain injuries.

The contest was created in 2002 by the publishers of *Tech Briefs* magazine to help stimulate and reward engineering innovation. The grand prize winner will be chosen from the winners in seven entry categories: Aerospace and Defense, Automotive/Transportation, Consumer Products, Electronics/Sensors/IoT, Machinery/Automation/Robotics, Medical, and Sustainable Technologies. For more information, go to www.mouser.com/createthefuture.

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