

Netlist Names Ron Nickel Vice President, Research And Development

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Nikel Brings Critical Expertise for Development of Differentiated Products for Compelling Memory Solutions

IRVINE, Calif., Feb. 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Netlist, Inc. (Nasdaq: NLST) today announced the appointment of veteran technology executive Ron Nickel as Vice President, Research and Development, effective immediately. In this position, Nickel will be responsible for overseeing Netlist's engineering team in the development of new products and intellectual property.

Nikel, 44, has more than 23 years of design engineering and product development experience, and will report directly to CEO C.K. Hong.

"Ron brings important expertise to Netlist in support of the Company's portfolio of highly differentiated memory solutions," Hong said. "Flawless execution is key to bringing value-added products to market. Ron has a proven track record of design, development and engineering execution. We welcome Ron to our executive management team."

Nikel joins Netlist from Global UniChip, San Jose, CA. Prior to Global UniChip, Nickel was with San Jose, CA-based MetaRAM, where he was the VP of Systems Engineering. The engineering team at MetaRAM, under Nickel's leadership, produced and validated high-performance memory solutions utilizing specialized ASICs. Nickel also brings over two decades of engineering expertise from Digital Equipment Corp, Silicon Graphics Inc, Sun Microsystems, and Synopsys in the areas of custom and cell development and high speed memory and connector technology.

Nikel received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Cincinnati.

About Netlist, Inc.

Netlist designs and manufactures high-performance memory subsystems for the server and high-performance computing and communications markets. The Company's memory subsystems are developed for applications in which high-speed, high-capacity memory, functionality, small form factor, and heat dissipation are key requirements. These applications include tower-servers, rack-mounted servers, blade servers, high-performance computing clusters, engineering workstations, and telecommunication equipment. Netlist maintains its headquarters in Irvine, California with manufacturing facilities in Suzhou, China.

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