

Netlist Awarded Patent For Proprietary Planar-X Technology

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Planar-X Technology Enables 32GB Capacities for RDIMM Modules with Standard DRAM

IRVINE, CA (October 13, 2010) - Netlist, Inc. (NASDAQ: NLST), a designer and manufacturer of high-performance memory subsystems, today announced that the United States Patent and Trademark Office issued to Netlist Patent No. 7,811,097 entitled, "Circuit with Flexible Portion," for its Planar-X innovation. Through the use of innovative circuit design, Planar-X provides additional board space for a large number of DRAM components. This enables Netlist customers, using Planar-X, to achieve higher capacity RDIMM modules at a lower cost.

Planar-X can also be used to develop high performance modules when combined with Netlist's HyperCloud™ technology. Planar-X modules are JEDEC compatible and plug into standard server memory slots. JEDEC is an independent semiconductor engineering trade organization and standardization body.

"Planar-X will be a key component to delivering 32GB RDIMM solutions using standard 2Gb DRAM technology available today," said Steve McClure, vice president of marketing at Netlist. "This achievement, combined with our HyperCloud technology, highlights the strength of Netlist's intellectual property position supporting innovative products addressing virtualization, cloud datacenters and high performance computing memory requirements."

About Netlist:

Netlist, Inc. designs and manufactures high-performance, logic-based memory subsystems for datacenter server and high-performance computing and communications markets. Netlist's flagship products include HyperCloud Memory, which breaks traditional memory barriers and NetVault™, a flash memory-based subsystem that enables data retention weeks following a disaster. The memory technologies are developed for applications in which high-speed, high-capacity memory, enhanced 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. Founded in 2000, Netlist is headquartered in Irvine, California with manufacturing facilities in Suzhou, People's Republic of China. For more information, visit the company's website at www.netlist.com.

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