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San Jose, Calif. -- Feb. 5, 2001 -- Novellus Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq:NVLS), today announced that Richard S. Hill will present on Feb. 7, 2001, beginning at 8 a.m. to 8:55 a.m. PST, at Banc of America Securities' Technology Week 2001. The presentation and breakout session will be made available over the Internet via a live webcast.

You may access the live webcast presentation at:

http://www.veracast.com/bas_techweek2001/webcasts/ID63302124.cfm and the breakout session at: http://www.veracast.com/bas_techweek2001/webcasts/ID49303513.cfm, or via the Novellus home page, located at www.novellus.com. The replay of the webcast will be available for 14 days following the conference.

About Novellus Systems

Novellus Systems Inc., an S&P 500 company, manufactures, markets and services advanced deposition and surface preparation equipment for today's advanced integrated circuits. The company's products are designed for high-volume production of advanced, leading-edge semiconductor devices at the lowest possible cost. Headquartered in San Jose, Calif., with subsidiaries throughout the U.S. as well as the United Kingdom, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Spain, Ireland, Israel, Italy, China, Japan, Korea, Singapore and Taiwan, Novellus is a publicly traded company on the Nasdaq stock exchange (Nasdaq: NVLS). Additional information about the company is located at www.novellus.com.

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