NOVELLUS ANNOUNCES AVAILABILITY OF THE WEBCAST OF ITS PRESENTATION AT THE CITIGROUP 13TH ANNUAL GLOBAL TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE

SAN JOSE, Calif., August 22, 2006 Novellus Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq: NVLS), today announced that Richard S. Hill, Novellus' chairman and chief executive officer, will present on Wednesday, September 6, 2006, at the Citigroup 13th Annual Global Technology Conference. The presentation will begin at 9:50 a.m. EDT and will be made available over the Internet via a live webcast.

The live webcast presentation may be accessed via Novellus' Investor Relations home page atwww.novellus.com. A replay of the webcast will be available for seven days following the conference.

About Novellus:

Novellus Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: NVLS) is a leading provider of advanced process equipment for the global semiconductor industry. The company's products deliver value to customers by providing innovative technology backed by trusted productivity. An S&P 500 company, Novellus is headquartered in San Jose, Calif. with subsidiary offices across the globe. For more information please visit www.novellus.com

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