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Semiconductor Companies Rank Advantest in VLSI Research 10 BEST List of Large Suppliers of Chip Making Equipment

Annual customer satisfaction survey highlights strength of Advantest's test solutions and gives company its 20th consecutive-year listing

Santa Clara, California – June 23, 2008 – Advantest Corporation (TSE: 6857, NYSE: ATE), the world's leading supplier of semiconductor test equipment, announces that users of its test and material handling systems have ranked it among the industry's 10 BEST large semiconductor equipment suppliers in the annual customer satisfaction survey conducted by VLSI Research Inc. Rankings are based on direct customer feedback representing 95 percent of the world's chip producers. Advantest is the only ATE manufacturer to place among the top three large suppliers of semiconductor manufacturing equipment. Within this grouping, Advantest led the industry with the highest rating in the category of "Uptime."

Advantest was also recently named to the lists of the world's 10 BEST suppliers for test equipment and material handling equipment (see release dated June 16, 2008) and over the past three years, earned inclusion on VLSI Research's Five Star list of the most highly rated chip making equipment suppliers in customer satisfaction.

The survey's thirteen categories spanned a variety of performance criteria, from *cost of ownership* to *quality of results* to *field engineering support*. Long the world's established market leader in Automatic Test Equipment (ATE) for semiconductors and a leader in test and measurement equipment for more than 50 years, Advantest is further distinguished for its ability to sustain product excellence and customer service on a global basis, as indicated by 20 years of positive customer responses in VLSI Research's annual 10 BEST surveys.

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“Advantest’s outstanding reputation in the semiconductor industry can be attributed to its fine product engineering, emphasis on customer relationships, and sophisticated management,” commented G. Dan Hutcheson, CEO of VLSI Research. “Advantest’s management maintains a global perspective that contributes to both industry and business leadership. The company’s listing on both the Tokyo (TSE) and New York Stock Exchanges (NYSE), is a testament to its high-standards of corporate conduct.”

“Advantest values excellence and sets high standards for its products and services,” says R. Keith Lee, president and CEO of Advantest America, Inc. “It is most gratifying that our customers recognize our commitment to engineering the best test solutions, and we value their feedback for its insight into how we can improve in terms of product leadership, partnership, superb test engineering and manufacturing, in order to continue to deliver the highly valued, cost-effective solutions they need to be successful in their own markets.”

About Advantest

Advantest Corporation is the world’s leading supplier of automatic test equipment to the semiconductor industry. Advantest’s SoC, logic, memory, mixed-signal and RF testers and device handlers are integrated into the most advanced semiconductor fabrication lines in the world. Founded in Tokyo in 1954, Advantest established its North American subsidiary in 1982 and its European subsidiary in 1984. More information is available at www.advantest.com.

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