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Through its Membership, MRV Pledges its Support to Open Source Collaboration

CHATSWORTH, Calif. —July 26, 2016—MRV Communications™, Inc. (NASDAQ: MRVC) (“MRV®”), a global provider of innovative packet and optical solutions for service providers, data center operators and enterprises, announced it has joined the Open Invention Network (OIN) ecosystem, the largest patent non-aggression community dedicated to the ongoing support of Linux and open source software. This membership also underscores MRV’s commitment to ingenuity and industry collaboration.

MRV has leveraged Linux as its core operating system to power its solutions since 1999 and is a steadfast proponent of OIN’s open source community, which includes members such as Google, IBM, NEC, Sony, and Red Hat. Since the company’s founding over 25 years ago, MRV has been dedicated to engineering future-proof solutions, with flexible architectures and interoperability, to ensure investment protection and an optimal end-user experience.

“Joining OIN further underscores MRV’s commitment to open source and product advancement across development communities,” said Zeev Draer, Vice President of Strategic Marketing for MRV Communications. “Open source software has always been a tremendous source for industry innovation and a safe guard against costly vendor lock-in. Now more than ever, especially with the rise of virtualization, it is necessary that the sharing of code goes unimpeded for the maximization of creativity across all sectors and the resulting end user benefits.”

“As an innovative provider of packet and optical solutions for telecommunications service providers, which has employed Linux-based solutions to enhance the flexibility and scalability of its products, we are pleased to have MRV Communications join OIN,” said Keith Bergelt, Chief Executive Officer of Open Invention Network. “By joining OIN, MRV Communications demonstrates its commitment to patent non-aggression within Linux and adjacent open source technologies.”

Free and open source programs allow companies, schools, governments and end users a wide array of choices, ensuring they get the best possible technology for their needs. To learn more about the Open Invention Network, please visit [www.openinventionnetwork.com](http://www.openinventionnetwork.com).

For more information on MRV and its solution portfolio, please visit [www.mrv.com](http://www.mrv.com).

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About Open Invention Network

Open Invention Network is the largest patent non-aggression community in history and supports freedom of action in Linux as a key element of open source software. Funded by Google, IBM, NEC, Philips, Red Hat, Sony and SUSE, OIN has more than 2,000 OIN community members and owns more than 1,100 global patents and applications. The OIN patent license and member cross-licenses are available royalty free to any party that joins the OIN community. For more information, visit <http://www.openinventionnetwork.com>.

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#### About MRV Communications

MRV Communications (NASDAQ: MRVC) enables service providers, data center operators and enterprises to make their networks smarter, faster and easier to operate. MRV's end-to-end portfolio includes innovative packet, optical and software platforms designed for flexibility and reliability. To learn more about MRV visit [www.mrv.com](http://www.mrv.com) and follow us on Twitter @MRVC.

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