



Materion Corporation Elects Two New Directors to Its Board of Directors

MAYFIELD HEIGHTS, Ohio--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Materion Corporation (NYSE:MTRN) announced today that its Board of Directors has appointed Darlene J.S. Solomon, Ph.D. and Geoffrey Wild as Directors. Dr. Solomon and Mr. Wild succeed Albert C. Bersticker and William G. Pryor, who retired from the Company's Board upon the completion of their terms in May 2011.

Dr. Solomon is Chief Technology Officer for Agilent Technologies, Inc. (New York Stock Exchange/Symbol: A). Based in Santa Clara, California, Agilent Technologies is the world's premier measurement company and a technology leader in chemical analysis, life sciences, electronics and communications.

Mr. Wild is Chief Executive Officer and a director of Luxembourg-registered AZ Electronic Materials S.A., and is based in Hong Kong. AZ Electronic Materials produces high-quality, high-purity specialty chemicals and materials for use in integrated circuits and devices, flat panel displays, light-emitting diodes (LEDs) and photolithographic printing. Its stock is traded on the London Stock Exchange.

Commenting on the addition of the new directors, Richard J. Hipple, Materion Corporation Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "We are very pleased to welcome Darlene and Geoff to the Materion Board. They both bring decades of executive management experience and industry leadership enabling innovation across the advanced technologies and materials spectrums, including some of the high-growth, global markets served by Materion. We expect their insights will be valuable to our ability to build on Materion's record of success in the years to come."

About Darlene J.S. Solomon, Ph.D.

As Chief Technology Officer for Agilent Technologies, Dr. Solomon's responsibilities include developing Agilent's long-term technology strategy and overseeing the alignment of its objectives with its centralized research and development activities.

She joined Agilent when the company was formed in 1999 as a spin-off from Hewlett-Packard Company with the dual role as Director of the Life Sciences Technologies Laboratory within Agilent Laboratories, and as Senior Director, Research and Development/Technology for Agilent's Life Science and Chemical Analysis business. Earlier, she had served at Hewlett-Packard Laboratories, including Research and Development Manager for the Chemical and Biological Systems Department.

She received her bachelor's degree in chemistry from Stanford University, a Doctorate in bioinorganic chemistry from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and has completed Stanford University's Executive Development Program.

Dr. Solomon serves on multiple academic and government advisory and review boards, including the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology for the National Institute of Standards and Technology, National Academies' Board on Chemical Sciences and Technology, and external advisory boards for the National Science Foundation's Nanobiotechnology Center, A-Star Board for Singapore Economic Development and Stanford University's Interdisciplinary Biosciences Advisory Council.

About Geoffrey Wild

Geoffrey ("Geoff") Wild is Chief Executive Officer and a director of AZ Electronic Materials S.A., a provider of high purity advanced technology products for use in integrated circuits and devices, flat panel displays, LEDs and photolithographic printing. He has been Chief Executive Officer of the company since January 2010.

Previously, Mr. Wild was President and Chief Executive Officer of Cascade Microtech, Inc. Based in Portland, Oregon, Cascade Microtech is a worldwide leader in the design, development and manufacture of advanced wafer probing solutions for the electrical measurement and test of semiconductor integrated circuits and chips. His earlier experience includes serving as President and Chief Executive Officer of Nikon Precision Inc., a supplier of lithography systems; President and Chief Executive Officer of TheSupply.com, Inc., an e-commerce provider of supply chain services; and senior executive responsibilities at AlliedSignal, Inc. and Johnson Matthey Plc., with extensive service living and working in Asia.

Mr. Wild has a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Bath in the United Kingdom.

He previously served on the Board of Directors of Axcelis Technologies, Inc., a provider of innovative, high productivity solutions for the semiconductor industry, and as a Director of E Ink Corporation and Nikon Precision Inc.

Materion Corporation, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, supplies highly engineered advanced enabling materials to global markets. Products include precious and non-precious specialty metals, inorganic chemicals and powders, specialty coatings, specialty engineered beryllium alloys, beryllium and beryllium composites, and engineered clad and plated metal systems. Headquartered in Mayfield Heights, Ohio, the Company serves customers in more than 50 countries. It has operating, service center and major office locations throughout North America, Europe and Asia, and employs approximately 2,500 people worldwide.

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