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**ACCELLERA TRANSFERS SYSTEMVERILOG 3.1a STANDARD  
TO IEEE STANDARDS ASSOCIATION**

*IEEE-SA Corporate Advisory Group to Oversee SystemVerilog Accreditation*

**Napa Calif., May 28, 2004** - Accellera, the electronics industry organization focused on worldwide development and use of electronic design standards, and the IEEE Standards Association (IEEE-SA), today announced that Accellera is offering the copyright of the language reference manual (LRM) for the SystemVerilog 3.1a hardware description and verification language (HDVL) to the IEEE-SA's Corporate Advisory Group. This group provides a platform for developers to produce market-relevant, full-consensus IEEE standards and will help guide standards through rapid accreditation. Further, Accellera recommends a liaison be designated between the SystemVerilog Study Group and the Verilog 1364 Working Group to ensure coordination.

"SystemVerilog will be the first Accellera standard offered to the IEEE-SA's corporate standards program. The processes of the corporate standards program are well-aligned with Accellera's Board of Directors' goals for SystemVerilog to obtain IEEE accreditation and be readily available for market adoption," said Dennis Brophy, Accellera chair. "Their streamlined, business-oriented path to standards development will infuse a strong international, industry and business perspective into the IEEE standard for SystemVerilog and for Accellera's future standards."

By offering the SystemVerilog 3.1a LRM copyright to the IEEE-SA, Accellera fulfills its promise made at last year's Design Automation Conference. The transfer of standards to the IEEE is the final stage of Accellera's proven development and standardization process. The IEEE-SA will provide its focus on global standards to SystemVerilog and will support a complete spectrum of corporate development services including liaison with related IEEE societies and other IEEE corporate functions. The ongoing, strong partnership between Accellera and IEEE-SA is expanded through the IEEE-SA's corporate standards program.

"Accellera is one of the most effective standards organizations in the EDA industry, and it has recognized the IEEE-SA's corporate standards program as a valuable way to receive IEEE

accreditation,” said Edward Rashba, manager, New Technical Programs, IEEE-SA. “Our experienced professional staff will support the SystemVerilog study group and help guide the IEEE standardization process. We will also ensure that processes and procedures are optimally configured to meet working group needs.”

“Accellera is eager to employ the IEEE-SA’s expertise, competence and processes to align international industry and business goals with SystemVerilog 3.1a standardization,” said Johny Srouji, chair of Accellera’s SystemVerilog Basic Subcommittee and the appointed chair of the SystemVerilog IEEE Study Group. “Accellera’s goal is to provide proven standards to customers as quickly as possible. The IEEE-SA shares that vision.”

### **About Accellera**

Accellera provides design standards for quick availability and use in the electronics industry. The organization and its members cooperatively deliver much-needed EDA standards that lower the cost of designing commercial IC and EDA products. As a result of Accellera’s partnership with the IEEE, Accellera standards are provided to the IEEE standards body for formalization and ongoing change control. For more information about Accellera, please visit [www.accellera.org](http://www.accellera.org).

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