

Avid to Join Russell 3000 Index

BURLINGTON, Mass., June 29, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Avid® (Nasdaq:AVID) announced today that the Company has joined the broad-market Russell 3000[®] Index at the conclusion of the Russell indexes annual reconstitution (<u>Russell website</u>) on June 26, 2015.

Annual Russell indexes reconstitution captures the 4,000 largest U.S. stocks as of the end of May, ranking them by total market capitalization. Membership in the Russell 3000, which remains in place for one year, means automatic inclusion in the large-cap Russell 1000[®] Index or small-cap Russell 2000[®] Index as well as the appropriate growth and value style indexes. FTSE Russell determines membership for its Russell indexes primarily by objective, market-capitalization rankings and style attributes.

"We are pleased to join the Russell 3000 Index" said John Frederick, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer of Avid. "We continue to make great progress in the transformation of the Company and are focused on addressing some of the most critical issues the media industry faces today all while working on creating value for our shareholders."

Russell indexes are widely used by investment managers and institutional investors for index funds and as benchmarks for active investment strategies. Approximately \$5.7 trillion in assets are benchmarked to the Russell's U.S. indexes. Russell indexes are part of FTSE Russell, a leading global index provider.

For more information on the Russell reconstitution, go to "Recon Central" section on the FTSE Russell website.

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A core set of universal principles guides FTSE Russell index design and management: a transparent rules-based methodology is informed by independent committees of leading market participants. FTSE Russell is focused on applying the highest industry standards in index design and governance. FTSE Russell is also focused on index innovation and client collaboration as it seeks to enhance the breadth, depth and reach of its offering.

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