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MAXIM ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH EPSON OF JAPAN FOR THE FABRICATION AND SUPPLY OF MIXED-SIGNAL SEMICONDUCTORS

SUNNYVALE, CA—February 7th, 2007—Maxim Integrated Products, Inc.

(Nasdaq: MXIM; www.maxim-ic.com) announces today that it has concluded a partnership agreement with Seiko Epson Corp. (www.epson.co.jp/e/) for Epson to manufacture Maxim's leading-edge mixed signal semiconductor products designed for power-management and battery-management applications. These products will be manufactured in their state-of-the-art submicron 200mm fab located in Sakata, Japan and will ship primarily to the Japanese and Asian Pacific markets.

As part of this alliance, Maxim and Epson will bilaterally trade key mixed-signal process technologies and deploy them at Epson's Sakata fab. This technology transfer has already begun and will ramp to high-volume production through CY'07.

"This agreement is unique for Maxim and even a first of its kind in our industry," comments Vijay Ullal, Maxim's Group President. *"It combines the best of our*

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innovative mixed-signal design and process technologies with Epson's world-class semiconductor manufacturing expertise, ensuring a new level of quality and service to our Japanese and Asian Pacific customers. The Epson Sakata fab is perhaps the most automated 200mm fab in the world. As a result, we expect an industry-leading combination of mixed-signal quality and cycle time, while achieving a competitive cost structure."

Tunc Doluca, Maxim's President and CEO states, *"Expectations for zero-defect quality and lead-time reduction require our industry to rise to the challenge and deliver to the demands of our customers' end markets. Maxim is excited about the possibilities of this strategic partnership with Epson to help us achieve new levels of customer satisfaction. This alliance also gives Maxim capacity burst in the near future on several important products now in design for consumer electronic and automotive applications."*

Maxim Integrated Products is a leading international supplier of quality analog and mixed-signal products for applications that require real-world signal processing.

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