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**Indro Mukerjee,  
CEO of C-MAC MicroTechnology  
opens Thorpe St Andrew School's  
new Technology Excellence Centre**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2007.** At 11.30 today, Indro Mukerjee, CEO of C-MAC MicroTechnology will officially open the new Technology Excellence Centre at Thorpe St Andrew School, Thorpe St Andrew, Norwich.

The futuristic Centre, funded largely by a substantial Government grant in recognition of the innovative nature of the project, will provide high quality, modern technology resources, facilities and training not only for the pupils and teachers of Thorpe St Andrew School but also for other schools and teachers in Norfolk.

The £600,000 centre is equipped with the latest video and e-learning facilities, including 40 new laptop computers, a video screen, a central computerised teaching area and learning 'pods'. The school is hoping the next phase of the project, equipping the centre with specialist manufacturing machines at a cost of £150,000, can be funded by private and corporate donors.

C-MAC MicroTechnology is a leading international supplier of high reliability electronics with a design and manufacturing facility based locally in Great Yarmouth. It is keen to support local schools and projects in their efforts to enhance and increase technology education, to help address the challenges facing the UK engineering industry and the shortfall in technology and engineering students coming out of schools and further education.

Indro Mukerjee commented 'I am very pleased to be opening this show-piece technology centre today. Centres like this are vital for encouraging young people to study technology-related subjects such as electronics engineering and making them aware of the importance and relevance of technology in today's world. As the head of a company with a long and proud British electronics engineering heritage, I believe that it is extremely

important that industry does all that it can to inspire the next generation of engineers. The electronics engineer is the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Craftsman and it is imperative that industry and academia recognise that a collaborative effort is required to shape the future of UK engineering.'

The school's Principal, Ian Clayton, commented: "We are delighted to welcome C-MAC MicroTechnology as partners in the project and thank them for their expressions of support. The new Centre, when fully operational, will put Norfolk at the cutting edge of school technology and innovation and I very much hope that local businesses and other organisations will offer us the sponsorship we still require."

The official opening will take place at 11.30am and will also be attended by Wing Cdr Ken Wallis MBE, Patron of the project, renowned for his engineering and inventing skills and who designed the autogyro for the James Bond film 'You Only Live Twice.'

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### Notes for Editors:

Headed by Indro Mukerjee, **C-MAC MicroTechnology** is the world leader in the design and manufacture of high reliability hybrid microelectronics solutions. We primarily focus on the automotive, aerospace and defence electronics sectors as well as specialist industrial and medical applications. Our head office is located just outside London, and we have design and manufacturing facilities in the UK and internationally with dedicated sales and customer support teams throughout Europe and the USA.

C-MAC MicroTechnology offers unrivalled expertise in the design and manufacture of advanced high reliability hybrid microelectronics systems. We specialise in advanced thermal management, high power and high frequency electronic solutions, which are often required to operate in severe environments or extremely confined spaces. Our production sites operate to very high levels of quality including certification to ISO TS 16949 and MIL-PRF-38534. Our process technologies include thick-film printing on ceramic and other substrates, surface-mount hybrid circuits, DC/DC power modules, direct-attach flipchip, low-temperature cofired ceramic (LTCC), chip-on-board (COB), multichip module (MCM) assemblies and PCB assembly. These manufacturing resources are complemented by an integrated design-to-test service encompassing ASIC design as well as analogue, digital, RF, mixed-mode and thermal simulation. Through our independently accredited test house facility, we can carry out product qualification and material evaluation to internationally recognized standards.

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