

## **Leading Semiconductor Company Confirms Reduced Cost of Test Using Pintail Technologies' SwifTest™**

**DALLAS (May 24, 2004)** – Pintail Technologies has successfully implemented SwifTest-MX to apply real-time statistical sampling to advanced mixed-signal semiconductor testing, reducing cost of test and accelerating customer time to market through real-time data capture and decision-making tools.

“Texas Instruments has evaluated Pintail’s SwifTest-MX on mixed signal devices and the tool has demonstrated its capabilities in helping to reduce test cost,” reported Kingsley Wong, Director of Worldwide Make Operations.

SwifTest is Pintail’s patented software solution that performs real-time monitoring and sampling while running on the user’s automated test equipment (ATE) systems. Users realize the benefits of accelerated test throughput using their existing testers, test programs and test procedures. Developed by Pintail, SwifTest is licensed in three configurations -- SwifTest ATE, SwifTest-Monitor and SwifTest-MX -- depending on the customer’s needs for unique, real-time data capture and decision-making capabilities.

“Pintail’s test improvement software solutions have proven to be successful and valuable tools for fabless companies, IDMs, ATE vendors and assembly and test services throughout the world,” explained Taylor Scanlon, president and chief executive officer of Pintail. “Pintail’s quality-conscious customers, including Texas Instruments, have seen significant reductions in cost of test and realize several other benefits, especially in the area of real-time monitoring of test floor activity.”

The SwifTest monitoring and sampling solutions are available for most testers, including Teradyne, Agilent, LTX and Eagle platforms. Product pricing is determined to assure the user an annual return on investment (ROI) of at least 5X and usually greater than 10X. Products are licensed and supported on an annual subscription basis worldwide.

### **About Pintail Technologies**

Pintail Technologies is a semiconductor test improvement and yield learning company that provides breakthrough software to reduce the cost of test and increase production output and quality through existing test equipment and programs. Pintail has created the first test improvement solutions to combine real-time test process control capabilities with innovative analytical programs in an integrated software suite designed for speed and accuracy. Fabless and integrated device manufacturers worldwide, in collaboration with leading assembly and test suppliers use Pintail tools to increase competitive advantage and improve responsiveness to test issues. Pintail has sales offices in Dallas, Austin, San Jose, Seoul, Singapore, Taiwan, Munich and Switzerland. See more information at [www.pintail.com](http://www.pintail.com).

