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**TAOISEACH ENDA KENNY ANNOUNCES 25 NEW JOBS AT IRISH SILICON CHIP COMPANY  
DECAWAVE**

- *Engineering, product management, applications, and sales and marketing roles to be filled over the next 18 months*

**Dublin Ireland, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2013** – An Taoiseach Mr Enda Kenny TD has announced 25 new jobs at Irish semiconductor chip company DecaWave this afternoon. Mr Kenny made the announcement at the launch of DecaWave’s first chip DW1000 at an event in Newman House, Dublin this afternoon, Nov 7<sup>th</sup>. The jobs will be created over the next 18 months.

DecaWave’s technology makes indoor location and communications more accurate, cost-effective and power-efficient than ever before. This is the first Integrated Circuit on the market to electronically identify the specific distance to any object, person or thing with 10cm precision.

The chip can either replace or complement the Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) and WiFi technology currently used for indoor tracking (GPS signals are unavailable indoors) by allowing for more specific, minute-to-minute location information for high-value goods over short range and through obstructions providing more accuracy than ever before. Thus, medical equipment, personnel, livestock, inventory, etc., etc., can all be tracked and monitored, while indoor mapping and related services also becomes a reality. This brings new opportunities across multiple industries including future applications for the technology incorporated in smartphones and tablets.

“I am delighted to announce these 25 high value roles in DecaWave, not just because of the jobs they represent, but because they reflect real success for a home grown high tech enterprise,” said An Taoiseach Mr Enda Kenny TD. “DecaWave is a truly – indeed proudly - Irish enterprise: both the founders are graduates of the University College Dublin School of Engineering, many of their angel investors are Irish, and they have received the fullest support from the team at Enterprise Ireland. The Government will continue through our Action Plan for Jobs to provide strong policy backing to supporting enterprise and entrepreneurs so that we can achieve our top priority of job creation,” he said.

“We are delighted that An Taoiseach has honoured us with his presence at today’s event”, said Ciaran Connell CEO of DecaWave. “Our first chip has garnered interest from more than 1,800 firms around the world, and has repeatedly sold out of samples at every stage of the development process. Over the next 18 months, we will be actively recruiting a further 25 people for engineering, applications, and product management, and sales and marketing roles, thus doubling our headcount”, he said.

Decawave is based in Dublin with offices in France, S. Korea and China, and is privately held.

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