



NEWS RELEASE

California Amplifier Names Patrick Hutchins Vice President of Operations

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Camarillo, CA - August 21, 2001 -- California Amplifier Inc. (Nasdaq: CAMP) today named Patrick Hutchins (38) as Vice President of Operations. Mr. Hutchins has extensive experience in manufacturing operations and most recently served as President of Chloride Systems, a division of Genlyte Thomas Group LLC. Chloride Systems is a major international supplier of emergency lighting and uninterruptible power supplies.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Hutchins has served as Operations Manager, Quality Assurance Manager and in Quality Engineering for both Chloride and Siemens Energy and Automation, Inc. He holds a Bachelors of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from North Carolina State University and a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Carolina at Wilmington.

"We are excited to add Pat's expertise to our team," said Fred Sturm, Chief Executive Officer. "He has a strong background in manufacturing operations and we look forward to working with him in achieving our company's objectives."

California Amplifier designs, markets and manufactures a broad line of integrated microwave fixed point solutions used primarily in conjunction with satellite video and terrestrial broadband applications. The Company's wireless access business unit designs and markets integrated reception and two-way transmission fixed wireless solutions for video, voice, data, telephony and networking applications. The satellite business unit designs and markets reception components for the worldwide DBS television market as well as a full line of consumer and commercial products for video and data reception. California Amplifier is an ISO 9001 certified Company. For additional information, visit California Amplifier's web site at www.calamp.com.

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