



Linda Heller to Join Applied Materials as Vice President of Investor Relations

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SANTA CLARA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 11, 2008--Applied Materials, Inc. today announced that Linda Heller has joined as vice president, Investor Relations, responsible for Applied's relationships with investors, financial analysts and the broader financial community. Ms. Heller most recently served as vice president, finance for the Operations division of Amgen.

"Linda's experience in senior finance and investor relations roles will be a valuable asset in our communication to the financial community," said George Davis, senior vice president and chief financial officer for Applied Materials. "Linda is joining Applied at a time of increased investor interest in the Company's growth agenda as we expand our core nanomanufacturing technology capabilities into new markets such as photovoltaics."

Prior to Amgen, Ms. Heller was vice president, Investor Relations for Pharmacia Corporation and brings a strong background and financial experience to Applied, having served in roles in M&A, treasury and investment banking. She has an M.S. in Management from the M.I.T. Sloan School of Management and a B.A. in Economics from Rice University.

Randy Bane, who currently heads Investor Relations, will transition to a new corporate position as vice president and Chief Economist for Applied Materials.

Applied Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq:AMAT) is the global leader in Nanomanufacturing Technology(TM) solutions with a broad portfolio of innovative equipment, service and software products for the fabrication of semiconductor chips, flat panel displays, solar photovoltaic cells, flexible electronics and energy efficient glass. At Applied Materials, we apply Nanomanufacturing Technology to improve the way people live. Learn more at www.appliedmaterials.com.

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