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CRITICAL I/O MOVES TO NETWORK TECHNOLOGY CENTER IRVINE CALIFORNIA

Irvine, Calif., July 10, 2006 — Critical I/O, the leading provider of high-performance interfaces for embedded, military and avionics systems, today announced the company has moved all engineering and management functions to an expanded facility in Irvine, California.

“The Irvine facility is ideal for several reasons.” said Jack Staub, chief executive officer of Critical I/O, “One obvious reason is that we simply outgrew our previous location and this new facility provides the room to continue our growth. But the new location has an even more important implication for the future development of our advanced products. You see, Critical I/O is a bridge between enterprise networking technologies and the embedded real-time systems marketplace. Our new expanded location in Irvine puts us in the world’s geographical center for this technology.”

“The future of performance networking equipment and storage is being defined and developed by commercial industry leaders like Qlogic, Broadcom, Emulex, and others – all in the Irvine area. These companies are defining the future of enterprise Ethernet and Fibre Channel technologies and it is essential that Critical I/O work very closely with them to most effectively integrate this technology in our products and thereby make it available to our customers. Being nearby and in the fabric of this community is invaluable to our ability to deliver market leading solutions.”

About Critical I/O

Critical I/O, headquartered in Irvine, California, is the leading provider of high-performance interfaces for embedded, avionics and military applications. The company has shipped more than 30,000 Fibre Channel interfaces into the embedded systems marketplace and with nearly a decade of progressive development and testing, has now delivered its sixth generation of advanced Fibre Channel technology. Critical I/O has also brought *true* high performance Ethernet interfaces to the real-time and embedded systems marketplace. With its unique Silicon Stack Ethernet architecture, Critical I/O is leading the way in enabling high performance Ethernet-based systems to compete, for the first time, with costly proprietary fabrics. Known worldwide for its technical expertise, software support, and its ability to leverage state of the art commercial technology, Critical I/O focuses entirely on the network requirements of high performance embedded systems.