

## **Corporate Backgrounder**

Banderacom<sup>TM</sup> is a fabless semiconductor company, based in Austin Texas, focused on providing high performance InfiniBand<sup>TM</sup> semiconductor devices to networking and computing equipment manufacturers. InfiniBand is a new industry connectivity standard, supported by over 180 leading networking and computing companies, to address the growing demand for server, storage, and network performance created by the onslaught of Internet usage. InfiniBand defines a switched communications fabric, which allows a multitude of I/O devices, host processor nodes, and I/O platforms to be connected in a high bandwidth, low latency, and scalable environment.

Banderacom was founded and incorporated in December of 1999, under the original name INH Semiconductor, by Chris Pettey, Art Arizpe, Clayton Newman, Larry Rubin, and Rick Pekkala. Most recently, Pettey, Arizpe, Newman and Rubin were senior members of the technical staff at Jato Technologies, a successful networking silicon start-up now owned by Intel Corporation, and previously held senior positions at Compaq, Motorola, and Intel. Pekkala was most recently a senior member of the technical staff for Centaur Systems and prior to Centaur held a senior engineering position at Motorola.

The company has received \$9 million in funding from Austin Ventures, Intel, Jato Tech Ventures, and Crossroads Systems. Banderacom's relationship with Intel includes collaboration on software and interoperability.

In October of 2000, Banderacom publicly introduced the industry's first InfiniBand semiconductor architecture, IBandit, and an agreement with Wind River Systems, the world leader in embedded software, to provide the transport services software supporting IBandit silicon devices.

IBandit is an InfiniBand Trade Association standards compliant semiconductor architecture incorporating the industry's most comprehensive set of standard features. IBandit single system-on-chip devices includes integrated SerDes, dual PCI/PCI-X interfaces, built-in PCI bridge and arbiters, and other integrated features that drastically reduce the time and cost of implementing complex multi-chip designs.

The Banderacom management team has more than 90 years of design and management experience in the technology industry specifically focused on high-end networking, switch fabric design and high performance processor design. The executive staff consists of Les Crudele, chief executive officer, Chris Pettey, co-founder and chief technical officer, Phill Grove, vice president of marketing, Terry Hulett vice president of engineering, and Eric Johnson, vice president of business development.

Banderacom is positioned to be a market leader in providing the semiconductors needed to enable the deployment of an estimated 50 million InfiniBand connections by 2003.

Banderacom is a member of the InfiniBand Trade Association. For further information, log onto www.banderacom.com.

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