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## **PARTMINER AND TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY FORGE PARTNERSHIP TO ENHANCE CAPS™ DATABASE CONTENT**

*PartMiner, Inc. partners with Tsinghua University to expand  
content about Chinese manufactured components in the CAPS™ Database!*

**Melville, New York, December 16, 2004** – PartMiner, Inc.--a leading global provider of information and commerce services for electronic components -- announced today a new partnership with Beijing's prestigious Tsinghua University, China's leading science and engineering university, to deliver a more comprehensive CAPS™ Database targeted to the Chinese electronic component industry as well as PartMiner's many CAPS™ customers worldwide.

To adequately address the needs of the Chinese electronics sector and research institutes alike, the new partnership will concentrate its efforts on improving the CAPS™ Database by focusing largely on expanding the content covering Chinese manufactured components in the database.

The compilation of the Chinese component information by PartMiner and Tsinghua offers an invaluable resource, which will enable buyers and engineers both within the Chinese electronics market and worldwide to quickly assess component information, and make better-informed decisions.

"We are very pleased to complete this cornerstone partnership with Tsinghua," PartMiner's CEO, Chris Meyer stated. "This venture fits with our long-term strategic plan to provide the most complete content about electronic components in the world. There should be no doubt to our CAPS™ customers worldwide that they are able to research and analyze components from all important sources."

Furthermore, the new partnership will establish an Industry Advisory Board that will be headed by the Electrical Engineering Department from Tsinghua University. Its purpose will be to review and suggest future improvements to the CAPS™ service.

### **About PartMiner, Inc.**

PartMiner® is a leading supplier of electronic components and excess inventory management services, as well as a cutting-edge online provider of component information to engineers and procurement professionals in the electronic industry. The Company's Web site currently has over 240,000 registered users, and offers real-time "Open Market" views of component price and availability, online access to the industry-leading CAPS™ Database, and user-friendly RFQ submission and management tools.

PartMiner's CAPS™ Database is a comprehensive resource, providing detailed, searchable technical data on over 35 million components from over 1,900 manufacturers. The database offers more than 50 years of data history, and is continuously being updated with new product introductions, changes, and discontinuations. The world's leading component manufacturers, OEMs, contract manufacturers, and component distributors subscribe to the CAPS™ Database.

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PartMiner® corporate headquarters are located at 80 Ruland Road, Melville, New York 11747, with offices in Asia, Europe, North America and the Middle East. Additional information about PartMiner® is available at [www.partminer.com](http://www.partminer.com)

### **About Tsinghua University**

Established in 1911, Tsinghua University is China's leading university and consists of 44 departments distributed in 11 schools, including the school of sciences, architecture, engineering, information science and technology, humanities and social sciences, economics and management, law, public policy and management.

It is a world-class university that has witnessed the graduation of over 100,000 students, including many outstanding scholars, eminent entrepreneurs and great statesmen remembered and respected by their fellow Chinese citizens. The university currently has over 7,100 faculty and staff, with over 900 full professors and 1,200 associate professors, including 24 members of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and 24 members of the Chinese Academy of Engineering. Presently, Tsinghua University has over 20,000 students, including 12,000 undergraduates, 6,200 master's degrees candidates and 2,800 doctoral candidates.

For more information, please visit [www.tsinghua.edu.cn](http://www.tsinghua.edu.cn).

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