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## **SoftJin Adds Exec; Vinod Malhotra Joins as VP of Engineering**

**SANTA CLARA, CA and BANGALORE, INDIA** – December 6, 2006 – SoftJin, a customized EDA (Electronic Design Automation) tool development company, announced today that Vinod Malhotra, has joined the company as VP of Engineering and has responsibility for the company's R&D team focused on developing Post-Layout EDA tools and technologies.

“We are very happy to have Vinod join our executive team,” said Nachiket Urdhwareshe, SoftJin CEO. “He brings a wealth of experience in EDA product development across multiple domains and is ideally suited to lead our engineering team in the Post-Layout EDA area. His EDA industry experience, technical leadership skills and large team management expertise will serve us well as we embark on our next phase of growth.”

Vinod was previously VP of Engineering at Poseidon Design Systems. Prior to that, he worked as Director of R&D at Synopsys where he was responsible for interactive lithography simulation, visualization and analysis. He also managed engineering operations of over 50 developers working on various DFM products. Prior to its acquisition by Synopsys, he led the EDA tools group at Numerical Technologies as VP of Engineering, where he established and grew the EDA tools division to \$10 million product line. Vinod holds a Master of Engineering from the University of South Carolina (Columbia) and a Master of Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) (Delhi).

“I am excited to be a part of SoftJin team,” added Vinod Malhotra. “SoftJin is creating world-class EDA technology and products at its R&D center in Bangalore, India. The quality of the talent in the company, the commitment to deliver extra-ordinary results and management's vision on how to grow the product portfolio attracted me to the company.”

## **About SoftJin**

SoftJin Technologies Pvt. Ltd. develops customized EDA tools for the specific requirements of semiconductor and EDA companies using a combination of EDA software development services and re-usable Building Blocks. SoftJin's customized EDA software development approach offers the advantages of enhanced EDA software capability, flexible capacity and cost savings to customers. SoftJin has also been recently (Aug 2006) chosen as one of the top 100 private companies in Asia that play a leading role in innovation and technology by Red Herring magazine. More information is available at [www.softjin.com](http://www.softjin.com).

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## **Notes to editors:**

A photo of Vinod Malhotra is available on request.

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