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## ZTE Selects RFMD(R) to Support High Volume S305 Handset

## RF7166 and RF7167 Transmit Modules Target Emerging Market Handsets

GREENSBORO, N.C., Oct. 22, 2009 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- RF Micro Devices, Inc. (Nasdaq:RFMD), a global leader in the design and manufacture of high-performance semiconductor components, today announced ZTE has selected two of RFMD's dual-band transmit modules to support ZTE's S305 GSM handset. The ZTE S305 is a stylish dual-band (GSM 900/1800MHz or 850/1900MHz) mobile handset designed for emerging markets.

The RF7166 and RF7167 are part of RFMD's RF71xx family of dual-band and quad-band transmit modules -- the Company's first platform of products featuring RFMD's innovative die-shrink technology. Each product in the RF71xx product family is designed to meet the front end requirements of emerging market handsets, including reduced solution size, improved efficiency and robust ESD protection, while also satisfying customer requirements for quality, reliability and reduced handset bill-of-material (BOM) costs. Importantly, RFMD's RF71xx transmit modules are pin-to-pin compatible across the entire product family, enabling customers to produce dual-band, tri-band or quad-band GPRS or EDGE handsets from a single handset platform -- an industry first.

Eric Creviston, president of RFMD's Cellular Products Group (CPG), said, "We are very pleased to support ZTE and the ramp of their compelling S305 handset. Our growing representation in ZTE's handset portfolio highlights our continuing design momentum there while also underscoring our commitment to supporting their success as a leading handset supplier. RFMD's scale and world-class supply chain allow us to deliver unsurpassed value to customers as they ramp high volume products in a very competitive marketplace."

The RF71xx family of open market 2G transmit modules is ramping today at multiple accounts in China, Taiwan and Korea and continues to achieve very favorable design activity among handset manufacturers and platform providers.

## About RFMD

RF Micro Devices, Inc. (Nasdaq:RFMD) is a global leader in the design and manufacture of high-performance semiconductor components. RFMD's products enable worldwide mobility, provide enhanced connectivity and support advanced functionality in the cellular handset, wireless infrastructure, wireless local area network (WLAN), CATV/broadband and aerospace and defense markets. RFMD is recognized for its diverse portfolio of semiconductor technologies and RF systems expertise and is a preferred supplier to the world's leading mobile device, customer premises and communications equipment providers.

Headquartered in Greensboro, N.C., RFMD is an ISO 9001- and ISO 14001-certified manufacturer with worldwide engineering, design, sales and service facilities. RFMD is traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol RFMD. For more information, please visit RFMD's web site at www.rfmd.com.

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our ability to bring new products to market, our ability to adjust production capacity in a timely fashion in response to changes in demand for our products, dependence on a limited number of customers, and dependence on third parties. These and other risks and uncertainties, which are described in more detail in RF Micro Devices' most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and other reports and statements filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, could cause actual results and developments to be materially different from those expressed or implied by any of these forward-looking statements.

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