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ECIA's GIPC Reaches Critical Milestone on Digital Transfer of Manufacturers' Certificate of Compliance Project

Atlanta – The ECIA Global Industry Practices Committee (**GIPC**) has reached the halfway point in its roadmap for the digital Certificate of Compliance project with the completion of a successful pilot program between Analog Devices, Inc. and Mouser Electronics. The mission of the project is to streamline the process to digitally exchange compliance documentation such as manufacturers' certificates of compliance. The industry benefits will be improved efficiency for the exchange of documents, reduction in costs associated with the current manual, paper driven process and improved visibility and availability of information.

"The current system used to transfer important compliance documents among the various entities in the electronic component supply chain is in need of modernization," explained Don Elario, ECIA's Vice President of Industry Practices. "Through-out the supply chain manufacturers, distributors and end customers are handling and storing hundreds of thousands of documents compiled from paper copies that accompany the components, which is a massive administrative task. This process is the first step in moving the modernization process forward."

The pilot program was launched by Analog Devices' global operations team who worked with Mouser Electronics to create a simple, easy to implement system using readily available digital processes. "With the pilot phase now complete, this initial innovation now can be adopted by other manufacturers and distributors who will further refine it and bring more efficiencies to the supply chain," said Phil Fraser, Director of Distribution at Analog Devices. The project is on schedule based on the initial timeline developed in 2019.

"We were excited to work with our valued manufacturer partner Analog Devices on this new streamlined process," said Pete Shopp, Mouser Electronics' Senior Vice President of Business Operations. "This is a great first step in modernizing a very manual, paper-intensive administrative burden. We look forward to engaging with our other manufacturer partners on the new paperless Certificate of Compliance process. In addition, we plan to work with our global customer base to provide them the ADI C of C's electronically."

For more information about this important project, review the roadmap document. Visit the [ECIA website](#); under Logistics Services.

About ECIA

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