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## **ArvinMeritor Opens New Technical Center in Asia to Serve Booming Automotive Market**

**BEIJING, China** (April 21, 2008) — ArvinMeritor, Inc. (NYSE: **ARM**) announced today the opening of the company's newest technical center for its Light Vehicle Systems (LVS) group. The facility, located in the Waigaoqiao region of Shanghai, China, will serve as an engineering center of excellence for the entire Asian region supporting the company's chassis systems, body systems and wheels products.

The new technical center allows ArvinMeritor to develop innovative, cost-effective and efficient solutions for OEM customers located in Asia. The center is a strategic element in the company's goal to deliver more than \$1 billion in revenue in Asia and with Asian OEMs, within five years. Today's announcement was made from the company's exhibit booth at the 2008 Auto China Beijing Auto Exhibition.

"As a leading supplier in Asia, we have the capability to offer regional customers access to the latest design and quality standards support," said Rakesh Sachdev, president of Asia Pacific, ArvinMeritor. "ArvinMeritor's new technical center will reduce design and validation time by using local engineering and product support staff."

The 5,500 square meter facility will support products and programs in China, and serve as a resource for existing engineering in Japan and Korea. It houses program management,

manufacturing and industrial engineering, quality, advanced sourcing, durability testing, design validation and prototyping, and a product and vehicle build area. It features the latest virtual simulation tools, including several proprietary design models, and state-of-the-art development and test equipment.

“To be competitive, world class capabilities and levels of support are needed in Asia to meet the increasing demand for modern products and our smart systems™ advanced technologies,” said Phil Martens, president of LVS, ArvinMeritor. “This new technical center will allow us to work more closely with regional customer design and platform development teams to rapidly incorporate the latest technology into the next generation of vehicles in China and surrounding markets.”

### **About Light Vehicle Systems**

ArvinMeritor’s LVS business group is a market leader in the product categories it serves, supplying integrated systems and modules to the world’s leading passenger car and light truck OEMs. Through smart systems™ technologies, the intelligent application of controls and electronics, ArvinMeritor’s traditional mechanical products are taking on new form and function at both the component and system levels. With advanced technology and systems design expertise in body systems, chassis and wheels, LVS combines high-quality components into cost-effective, performance-based solutions for virtually every car and light truck on the road today.

### **About ArvinMeritor**

ArvinMeritor, Inc. is a premier global supplier of a broad range of integrated systems, modules and components to the motor vehicle industry. The company serves commercial truck, trailer and specialty original equipment manufacturers and certain aftermarkets, and light vehicle manufacturers. Headquartered in Troy, Mich., ArvinMeritor employs approximately 18,000 people in 24 countries. ArvinMeritor common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ARM. For more information, visit the company's Web site at: <http://www.arvinmeritor.com/>.

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*company, its suppliers and customers, including potential disruptions in supply of parts to our facilities or demand for our products due to work stoppages; the financial condition of the company's suppliers and customers, including potential bankruptcies; possible adverse effects of any future suspension of normal trade credit terms by our suppliers; potential difficulties competing with companies that have avoided their existing contracts in bankruptcy and reorganization proceedings; successful integration of acquired or merged businesses; the ability to achieve the expected annual savings and synergies from past and future business combinations and the ability to achieve the expected benefits of restructuring actions; success and timing of potential divestitures; potential impairment of long-lived assets, including goodwill; potential adjustment of the value of deferred tax assets; competitive product and pricing pressures; the amount of the company's debt; the ability of the company to continue to comply with covenants in its financing agreements; the ability of the company to access capital markets; credit ratings of the company's debt; the outcome of existing and any future legal proceedings, including any litigation with respect to environmental or asbestos-related matters; the outcome of actual and potential product liability and warranty and recall claims; rising costs of pension and other post-retirement benefits and possible changes in pension and other accounting rules; as well as other risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to those detailed herein and from time to time in other filings of the company with the SEC. These forward-looking statements are made only as of the date hereof, and the company undertakes no obligation to update or revise the forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.*

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