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Subject: Microsemi Product Discontinuation Notification of Silicon Sculptor II Software Support

Dear Customer,

As noted in the previous discontinuation notification in 2006, Microsemi released the latest version of the Silicon Sculptor Programmer, Silicon Sculptor 3, which replaced Silicon Sculptor II. The previous notification indicated that support would continue through 2010 and has continued well beyond that date. BP Micro has decided to end support for parallel port programmers, including Silicon Sculptor II. With the release of BPWin version 5.34, scheduled for August 2013, software support will end for Silicon Sculptor II.

Silicon Sculptor 3 offers USB 2.0 high-speed support, allowing parallel programming when connected via chained USB hubs with up to 12 such programmers with a single PC and software application. In addition, Silicon Sculptor 3 provides a very cost effective way for a small production lab to expand capabilities without needing to acquire additional PCs. The Silicon Sculptor 3 programmer works with existing adapter modules that are used on the Silicon Sculptor II programmer; therefore, no investment in new adapter modules is required to use this latest programmer. Silicon Sculptor 3 is available for ordering and shipment.

Microsemi recommends upgrading from Silicon Sculptor II to Silicon Sculptor 3 by August 2013. Should you have any questions regarding the discontinuation of software support for Silicon Sculptor II in August 2013, please contact your local Microsemi Sales representative or regional FAE for assistance.

The previous discontinuation notification is posted on the Microsemi SoC Products Group website:

http://www.microsemi.com/soc/documents/SiliconSculptor3_Notification.pdf.

Regards,

Microsemi SoC Products Group