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AWARD SOFTWARE *Elite*BIOS SUPPORTS INTEL-COMPATIBLE CENTAUR IDT-C6 TM MICROPROCESSOR

Mountain View, Calif. – June 4, 1997 - Award Software International® Inc. (Nasdaq:AWRD), the world's number one x86-based desktop and server BIOS provider, today announced support of Centaur Technology's new IDT-C6™ processor, extending Award Software's broad based support of x86 compatible processors.

"The IDT-C6, combined with Award Software's *EliteBIOS*, is a potent product for system and motherboard manufacturers building low cost mobile and desktop systems", said Joe Baranowski, vice president of sales and marketing for Centaur Technology, Inc. "We found Award Software very easy to work with, they provided excellent support and time-to-market advantage in the testing and verification of our product. Many of our target customers are already Award Software customers."

System manufacturers will be interested in the small die size of the IDT-C6 which translates to lower cost and very low processor power consumption making it a very competitive solution for the desktop and mobile personal computer (PC) market. The IDT-C6, initially available in 150-MHz, 180-MHz and 200-MHz versions, will include MMX^{TM} extensions and be compatible with Socket 7 design as well as with a variety of x86 chipsets.

"Our core BIOS support of the Centaur product line is supplemented by our **SMS***Access*™ suite of applications for remote, streamlined system management, designed to reduce total cost of ownership", said Laurent Gharda, vice president of marketing for Award Software. "The suite includes our **RPB***Access*™, **DMI***Access*® and **APM***Access*™ products designed to be consistent with the objectives of the Zero Administration Windows® initiative".

*Elite*BIOS is the cornerstone system management software (SMS) product that Award Software designs, develops and markets to the manufacturers of desktop, server, mobile and embedded systems. Additional Award Software SMS products include the *SMSAccess* suite of applications for remote, streamlined system management, designed to reduce total cost of ownership. The company's PC Card enabling software for DOS, Windows 3.x, and Windows NT® is CardWare®. *APIAccess™* enables Win32® applications to run on embedded and UNIX® systems. Award Software continues to expand its research and development efforts to create innovative new products for the expanding computer and embedded systems industries. For more product information, email info@award.com.

The company's stock is traded on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol AWRD. More information can be obtained from the company's SEC filing or by visiting Award Software's Web site at http://www.award.com.



Centaur Technology, an Austin, Texas-based microprocessor design and development company, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Integrated Device Technology, Inc. (IDT) (Nasdaq:IDTI). Integrated Device Technology, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets high-performance integrated circuits and modules used in products serving its rapidly growing targeted market segments: communications equipment, distributed computing systems, personal computers and office automation equipment. More information on the two companies can be found at http://www.centtech.com and http://www.idt.com

The statements in this news release, other than the historical financial information, many contain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties including those associated with the acceptance of new technology and products, Award Software's ability to respond to technological change and other market conditions that could cause actual results to differ materially. Further information on factors that could affect the company's results are detailed in Award Software's Annual Report on Form 10-K and on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1997, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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