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## **Rhetech Dedicates Expanded Manufacturing Facility**

**Coopersburg, PA** - August 16, 2007 - Rhetech, Inc. today dedicated its expanded Coopersburg, Pennsylvania manufacturing facility in a ceremony attended by employees, government officials, and members of the Lehigh Valley economic development community.

Participants in the dedication included Ray Thompson, Chairman of the Board and CEO of Semitool, Inc., Rhetech's parent company; Larry Murphy, President and COO of Semitool; and Howard Bateman, Charles Grenier, and Steven Stahlberg, all members of Semitool's Board of Directors. Local attendees included Pennsylvania State Senator Robert Wonderling, Pennsylvania State Representative Karen Beyer, Coopersburg Mayor Jonathan Mack, and members of the Coopersburg Borough Council. Representatives from the Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation, Sovereign Bank, and the Governor's Action Team were also at the dedication, which included remarks by Ray Thompson, Senator Wonderling, and Representative Beyer, and a reception after the ceremony.

The dedication wraps up a year-long, two million dollar project which increased Rhetech's manufacturing space by fifty percent, modernized storage facilities, and expanded and upgraded parking and support infrastructure. The 10,000 square building expansion was financed by Wyomissing, Pa.-based Sovereign Bank under the terms of an Industrial Development Revenue Note supported by the Lehigh County Industrial Development Authority. Modernization of storage facilities is being supported by a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Opportunity Grant. The expanded facility now totals 32,000 square feet and can support over ninety employees.

"Community, regional, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania support has been critical to this project," according to Vince McGinty, president of Rhetech. "More than just generous financial backing, we've gotten advice and active support from nearly everyone with a stake in our success. I'm particularly gratified by the guidance we've received from Semitool, the support of the Coopersburg Borough Council, the timely help from the Governor's Action Team, and the hands-on work by Senator Wonderling and Representative Beyer."

Rhetech, a wholly owned subsidiary of Semitool, Inc., provides new and rebuilt manufacturing equipment for semiconductor manufacturers in North America, Europe, and Asia.