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EMCORE Corporation Announces the Appointment of Dr. Hank Blauvelt as Chief Technology Officer

ALHAMBRA, Calif., Jan. 16, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- EMCORE Corporation (Nasdaq:EMKR), a leading provider of compound semiconductor-based components, subsystems and systems for the broadband and specialty fiber optics market, announced today the appointment of Dr. Hank Blauvelt to Chief Technology Officer for EMCORE Corporation, reporting to Chief Executive Officer, Jeffrey Rittichier.

Dr. Blauvelt joined EMCORE Corporation in December 2007 as Chief Scientist with principal responsibility for the development of technologies for linear fiber optic applications. Recent contributions include the development of Linear Externally Modulated Laser (LEML) technology, advanced dispersion compensation techniques for 1550 nm DFB fiber links, and linear low noise optical receivers.

Prior to joining EMCORE, Dr. Blauvelt, whose career in lightwave communications spans over thirty-five years, was named Chief Technology Officer for Xponent in October 2001 until 2007. He was employed by Ortel Corporation between 1985 and 2000, when the company was acquired by Lucent Technologies. Dr. Blauvelt distinguished himself by important contributions in the design of optical transmitters and receivers for transmission of CATV signals over fiberoptic links and was the principal inventor on the Ortel patents related to reducing noise and distortion in the links. In 1992 he was promoted to VP Fiber Optics Technology at Ortel, and after Ortel's acquisition, Dr. Blauvelt was named Chief Technologist for Optical Access Products at Lucent Technologies/Agere Systems.

"We are excited to have Hank take on this key technology leadership role at EMCORE," said Jeffrey Rittichier, EMCORE's CEO. "Hank's long track record of technology innovation in the industry uniquely positions him to lead us in the next phase of our technology development."

Dr. Blauvelt earned his Ph.D. in Applied Physics from Caltech. He has been awarded more than 60 U.S. patents.

About EMCORE

EMCORE Corporation offers a broad portfolio of compound semiconductor-based products for the broadband and specialty fiber optics market. EMCORE provides optical components, subsystems and systems for Cable Television (CATV) and Fiber-To-The-Premise (FTTP) networks, as well as products for satellite communications, video transport and specialty photonics technologies for defense and homeland security applications. For further information about EMCORE, visit <http://www.emcore.com>.

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The information provided herein may include forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such statements include statements regarding EMCORE's expectations, goals or intentions, including, but not limited to, financial performance, reductions in expenses, production schedules, expected customer sales, product features and their benefits, product quality, product performance and EMCORE's executive officers. These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations, estimates, forecasts and projections about EMCORE and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those stated in the forward-looking statements. Risks and uncertainties that could cause EMCORE's actual results to differ from those set forth in any forward-looking statement are discussed in more detail in EMCORE's SEC filings available at www.sec.gov, including under the headings "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." Forward-looking statements contained in this press release are made only as of the date hereof, and EMCORE undertakes no obligation to update or revise the forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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