

Ampex Data Systems Corporation Relocates to Hayward

(Hayward, California) – On April 22, 2016, Ampex Data Systems Corporation (Ampex) celebrated the grand opening of their new headquarters in Hayward with special guest speakers Mayor Barbara Halliday and California Assemblyman, Bill Quirk (D-Hayward).

Ampex is a leading supplier of high-capacity, high performance digital storage systems capable of functioning in demanding environments on land, at sea, or in the air. Over the company's 72 year history, Ampex has won 12 Emmy Awards recognizing their technical innovations, including invention of the video tape recorder in 1957 and slow-motion color recording and playback in 2005.

"Ampex epitomizes the type of advanced industry that is redefining Hayward's Industrial Crescent," said Paul Nguyen, City of Hayward Economic Development Specialist. "From the reel-to-reel tape machine that recorded Elvis Presley's first single and to rugged flight data and image recorders used by the U.S. military in the war on terror, Ampex continues to be on the cutting edge of innovation and technology."



Photo Courtesy of Ampex Data Systems. Assemblyman Bill Quirk (left), Jim Orahood, General Manager of Ampex Data Systems (upper right); Mayor Barbara Halliday; and Gary Thom, President of Ampex Data Systems.



Housed in a new 30,000 square foot facility on Corporate Avenue, Ampex's 50-plus employees assemble and test the solid state, disk, and tape-based storage products that capture digital images and data from aircraft, satellites, and submarines. Ampex products are used in both commercial and military applications including Boeing's 787 Dreamliner and U.S. Navy's Airborne Infrared Countermeasure Evaluation System.

To move the company headquarters from Redwood City, AMPEX utilized the City of

Hayward's Business Concierge Program, an enhanced customer-service program designed to provide personalized assistance to target industries to streamline and facilitate every phase of the development process.

“Our experience with the Business Concierge Program was exceptional. This is a very progressive way to bring together the City and its businesses in a way that ensures that both parties achieve their needs and goals,” said Vivian Gran, Director of Finance at Ampex. “Staff was very responsive to requests and gave us the feeling that they really cared about our business and how much we meant to the City.”

For information about the Business Concierge Program, please visit: www.haywardupward.org. For information on Ampex Data Systems, visit www.ampex.com.