



## **NVM Express, Inc. Elects HGST, Micron, Microsoft, Samsung, SanDisk and Seagate to Board for 2015**

**WAKEFIELD, Mass. – Jan. 20, 2015** – [NVM Express, Inc.](#), the organization that developed the NVM Express specification for accessing solid-state drives (SSDs) on a PCI Express (PCIe) bus, today announced the results of its recent board election. Elected to Promoter positions are HGST, Micron, Microsoft, Samsung, SanDisk and Seagate. These six companies will join existing Promoters Cisco, Dell, EMC, Intel, NetApp, Oracle and PMC to lead NVM Express, Inc. in 2015.

Representatives from Promoter companies form the NVM Express, Inc. Board of Directors, which governs the organization. Promoters are NVM Express members elected for a two-year term; they are eligible for re-election. All Contributor and Promoter member companies are eligible to run for Promoter positions.

"We're very pleased to have HGST, Micron, Microsoft, Samsung, SanDisk and Seagate help shape the future direction of NVM Express by serving on the Board of Directors," said Amber Huffman, NVM Express President. "2014 was a great year for NVM Express, with leadership performance products shipping to the data center market. In 2015, we are looking forward to NVM Express products shipping to the client market, and completing the NVM Express over Fabrics specification to enable new market opportunities with NVMe."

"Microsoft is honored to be elected to an NVM Express, Inc. Promoter position," said Lee Prewitt, Principal Program Manager Lead, Microsoft. "We see NVMe as an important storage technology for the future, and we look forward to working with the Board of Directors and other members to bring further innovation to the industry."

### **About NVM Express**

NVM Express is the optimized, high-performance, scalable host controller interface with a streamlined register interface and command set designed for non-volatile memory based storage. NVM Express was developed as a standard to reduce latency and provide faster performance with support for security and end-to-end data protection. The first NVM Express products began shipping in 2014 and have demonstrated up to six times greater 4KB Random and Sequential Read/Write performance, and lower latency than SATA solid state drives. NVM Express specifications are owned by NVM Express, Inc.

### **About NVM Express, Inc.**

[NVM Express, Inc.](#) was formed to define a new storage interface protocol, NVM Express, to enable the full performance potential provided by non-volatile memory storage technology, such as PCI Express solid state drives, in a standards-based approach to enable broad

ecosystem adoption. NVM Express, Inc. is a non-profit organization and includes more than 75 member companies.

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