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Jim Thompson serves as executive vice president, engineering of Qualcomm Technologies, Inc. In this role, Thompson oversees engineering teams responsible for digital, analog and RF chip design, technology developments including CDMA, WCDMA, LTE and GERAN modems, video, audio, graphics and imaging engines, CPU and DSP hardware, as well as all AP and Modem SW development and product integration and testing. Thompson also serves as a member of Qualcomm's executive committee.

Thompson joined Qualcomm in 1992 working on a prototype of a CDMA base station used for early technical trials prior to standardization of IS-95. In 1994, he began work on the system design of Globalstar, a low earth orbit satellite communications system. In 1996, he was given overall engineering responsibility for development of the Globalstar earth stations, phones and data modems. Globalstar is deployed and operating in North America, South America, Europe and Asia. In 2001, he moved over to QCT initially taking responsibility for all hardware development and expanding those responsibilities in 2005 to include FW and SW.

Prior to joining Qualcomm, Thompson worked for Avantek Corporation in Santa Clara, California as an RF integrated circuit designer.

Thompson holds a Bachelor of Science, Master of Science and Ph.D in electrical engineering from the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

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