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ESI Announces Hiring of John Williams as Vice President of Marketing

PORTLAND, Ore., March 01, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Electro Scientific Industries, Inc. (Nasdaq:ESIO), an innovator in laser-based manufacturing solutions for the micro-machining industry, today announced that John Williams has joined the company as Vice President of Marketing, effective February 27.

Mr. Williams has over twenty years of experience in increasingly responsible roles within marketing management at several companies. In his most recent position John served as Vice President, Marketing for Thermo Fischer Scientific. He came to Thermo Fisher via its acquisition of FEI Company, where he had served for ten years, seven of which as Vice President, Corporate and Strategic Marketing. Prior to joining FEI, Mr. Williams spent five years as the Director of Marketing at Brooks Automation. Prior to Brooks, John was a Product Marketing Manager at several technology firms. He holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Cal Poly - San Luis Obispo.

Michael Burger, CEO of ESI, stated, "I'm excited for John to join the ESI team, as part of our reorganization. Consolidating our marketing resources under John's leadership is expected to help accelerate a customer needs approach to product development and drive a greater understanding of our market dynamics."

About ESI, Inc.

ESI's integrated solutions allow industrial designers and process engineers to control the power of laser light to transform materials in ways that differentiate their consumer electronics, wearable devices, semiconductor circuits and high-precision components for market advantage. ESI's laser-based manufacturing solutions feature the micro-machining industry's highest precision and speed, and target the lowest total cost of ownership. ESI is headquartered in Portland, Oregon, with global operations and subsidiaries in Asia, Europe and North America. More information is available at www.esi.com.

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