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Finisar Corporation Appoints Helene Simonet as New Director

SUNNYVALE, Calif., March 28, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Finisar Corporation (NASDAQ:FNSR), a global technology leader for fiber optic subsystems and components, today announced that the Board of Directors has appointed Helene Simonet to the Board. Finisar's Board now consists of seven Directors who are elected to staggered three-year terms. Ms. Simonet will serve as a Class II Director with a term running until the annual meeting of stockholders in 2019.

Ms. Simonet served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Coherent, Inc., a world leader in providing photonics based solutions to the commercial and scientific research markets, from April of 2002 to February of 2016. From December of 1999 to April of 2002, she was Vice President of Finance of Coherent's former Medical Group and Vice President of Finance of its Photonics Division. Prior to joining Coherent, Ms. Simonet spent over twenty years in senior finance positions at Raychem Corporation. She has been a Director of Rogers Corporation since October of 2014.

"I am pleased to welcome Leen as the newest member of our Board of Directors," said Jerry Rawls, Finisar's Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board. "Her experience in both executive and financial management of global technology manufacturing companies makes her an excellent addition to the Board."

ABOUT FINISAR

Finisar Corporation (NASDAQ:FNSR) is a global technology leader for fiber optic subsystems and components that enable high-speed voice, video and data communications for telecommunications, networking, storage, wireless, and cable TV applications. For over 25 years, Finisar has provided critical optics technologies to system manufacturers to meet the increasing demands for network bandwidth and storage. Finisar is headquartered in Sunnyvale, California, USA with R&D, manufacturing sites, and sales offices worldwide. For additional information, visit www.finisar.com.

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