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COMMODORE INTRODUCES NEXT GENERATION AMIGA 4000

AGINCOURT, ONTARIO -- Commodore Business Machines Ltd. today introduced the Amiga® 4000, the company's revolutionary new premier multimedia computer. The Amiga 4000 marks the company's most significant new technology advancement in its Amiga line since the product's introduction in 1985. In addition to the Amiga 4000, Commodore announced several other significant product introductions including the Amiga 600 and 600HD, AmigaDOSTM Release 3 Operating System, A570 CD-ROM Drive, and AmigaVisionTM Professional Authoring System.

Doug MacGregor, President and General Manager of Commodore Business Machines Ltd. commented, "these product announcements exemplify Commodore's continued commitment to offer computers with the best price/performance ratios in the computer industry today. We are confident that these products, particularly the Amiga 4000, will keep Commodore at the forefront of multimedia technology and enable us to continue our aggressive push in the multimedia marketplace."

This powerful new machine features Commodore's Advanced Graphics Architecture™ custom co-processor chip set that enables users to display and animate graphics in multiple resolutions at up to 256,000 colours from a palette of 16.8 million. The new hardware features are driven by AmigaDOS Release 3, the newest version of Commodore's multitasking operating system, in combination with the machine's main processor, the Motorola® 68040. While this new version of the operating system takes advantage of the latest hardware features, it also maintains backwards compatibility with Amiga software not written specifically for the Amiga 4000.

The Amiga 4000 will come standard with a 120MB hard drive, 6MB of memory, a dual speed high-density floppy drive, and CrossDOS which enables users to read and write to MS-DOS® formatted floppy and hard drives. Other key multimedia features include: a dedicated slot for video devices; selectable NTSC scan rate compatibility; four voice dual-channel digital audio;

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up to 8 sprites, enabling high speed animations; and full hardware video overscan. The Manufacturer's Suggested List Price for the Amiga 4000-040/120 is \$4,595.00.

Commodore International Limited, through its operating subsidiaries around the world, manufactures and markets personal computers to customers in the professional, government, education and consumer market sectors. The company has four product lines: Amiga multimedia computers, MS-DOS PC compatibles, C64 computers and CDTV.

Commodore was established in 1958 in Toronto and now has worldwide revenues of over \$1 billion with over 3000 employees in 43 countries. Commodore-owned manufacturing facilities are located in West Chester, U.S.A., Hong Kong, and West Germany. The company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

For more information on Commodore's products and corporate background, please contact Tom Shepherd, Commodore's Director of Marketing at (416) 499-4292.

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