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Avnet's David Paulson and Bob Brenner Named 2016 Supply & Demand Chain Executive Pros to Know

PHOENIX--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [Avnet, Inc.](#) (NYSE: [AVT](#)), a leading global technology distributor, today announced that *Supply & Demand Chain Executive* has selected Bob Brenner, senior vice president of logistics and operations, and David Paulson, vice president of business development, Avnet Velocity, as 2016 Provider Pros to Know. Pros to Know is an annual listing of the top supply and demand chain industry professionals. With these awards, a total of 11 Avnet executives have made this distinguished list of supply chain professionals.

The Pros to Know Awards recognize supply chain executives in manufacturing and non-manufacturing enterprises who are leading initiatives to help prepare their companies' supply chains for the significant challenges of today's business climate. *Supply & Demand Chain Executive* received more than 350 entries for the 2016 Pros to Know Award.

"Bob's extensive operational expertise is invaluable to helping Avnet's customers improve quality, enhance collaboration and stay ahead of market trends," said Mike Buseman, chief global logistics and operations officer at Avnet. "He has worked with companies to develop true partnerships, turn their fixed costs into variable costs, and ensure that we get the right product, to the right place, at the right time."

For more than 15 years, Brenner has strengthened his expertise in innovative warehouse management technologies and new methods of production to enable better management of customers' supply chain requirements. In his role at Avnet, Brenner manages Avnet's distribution centers in the Americas as well as Avnet's value-add center located in Nogales, Mexico. Since joining Avnet in 2008, Brenner has achieved an outstanding record of accomplishments, including the completion of a two-year long initiative to upgrade the warehouse management system at Avnet's largest warehouse in Chandler, Ariz., to better manage its customers' and suppliers' supply chain growth now and in the future.

Paulson was recognized for his wealth of knowledge and experience in developing global supply chain strategies for customers as well as within Avnet. He has worked at Avnet for 20 years, and in his role as vice president of business development, Paulson works closely with Avnet suppliers, partners and customers to ensure their supply chains are operating efficiently and ensure overall supply chain visibility and collaboration within their organizations.

"As supply chain organizations are increasingly focused on the Internet of Things, David has been instrumental in guiding customers to activate an effective IoT strategy in their organizations," said Wade McDaniel, vice president of solutions architecture. "David is an expert in solving complex global supply chain challenges that help Avnet customers achieve success."

A complete listing of the 2016 Pros to Know is available on the *Supply & Demand Chain Executive* website at www.SDCExec.com.

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