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WiLAN, a Quarterhill Company, and Samsung Enter Into New Comprehensive License Agreement

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OTTAWA, Sept. 29, 2017 /PRNewswire/ - Quarterhill Inc. ("Quarterhill") (NASDAQ: QTRH, TSX: QTRH) today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary Wi-LAN Inc. ("WiLAN") has entered into a new comprehensive license agreement with Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. ("Samsung"). This new license agreement expands upon the patent rights previously granted to Samsung in the wireless license agreement announced in 2013. The terms of this agreement are confidential.

About WiLAN

WiLAN is one of the most successful patent licensing companies in the world and helps companies unlock the value of intellectual property by managing and licensing their patent portfolios. The company operates in a variety of markets including automotive, digital television, Internet, medical, semiconductor and wireless communication technologies. For more information: www.wilan.com.

About Quarterhill

Quarterhill is a diversified investment holding company focused on growing its business by acquiring technology companies in the Industrial Internet of Things ("IIoT") segment across multiple verticals. Quarterhill targets companies with a broad range of products and services that capture, analyze and interpret data, and that have strong financial performance, excellent management teams, strong intellectual property underpinnings and significant opportunities to develop long-term recurring and growing revenue streams. Quarterhill is listed on the TSX and NASDAQ under the symbol QTRH. For more information: www.quarterhill.com.

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