

Vuzix Announces Closing of US\$12.5 Million Offering

ROCHESTER, NY, December 20, 2017 - <u>Vuzix® Corporation</u> (NASDAQ: <u>VUZI</u>), ("Vuzix" or, the "Company"), a leading supplier of Smart Glasses and Augmented Reality (AR) technologies and products for the consumer and enterprise markets, today announced that it closed on the previously announced US\$12.5 million financing on December 19, 2017. The Company entered into agreements on December 14, 2017 relating to the sale of 2,066,116 shares of Vuzix common stock at an offering price of \$6.05 per share together with three-year warrants to purchase an aggregate 1,033,058 shares of its common stock at \$7.00 per share, which will be exercisable for a period of three years commencing six months from issuance. The gross proceeds from the offering were \$12,500,000 before deducting commissions and estimated offering expenses. Chardan Capital Markets, LLC, acted as the sole placement agent for this transaction. The Company has filed a prospectus with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which can be viewed at: https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1463972/000114420417064034/tv481494 424b5.htm

The shares of common stock were sold primarily to existing institutional investors of the Company. The Company estimates the net proceeds from this offering are approximately \$11.5 million, after deducting placement agent fees and estimated offering expenses payable. This gives Vuzix pro forma cash and cash equivalents of \$20.2 million as of September 30, 2017. As noted earlier, the Company intends to use the net proceeds from the offering for general corporate purposes, including expanding its product offering and the commercial launch of its Blade Smart Glasses, featuring its proprietary waveguide technology products in early 2018, and for general working capital purposes.

"We believe that our investors increasing their commitment to Vuzix represents their strong confidence in our future, as the adoption of wearable technology in the workplace continues to climb," said Paul Travers, President and Chief Executive Officer at Vuzix. "With the new funds, we have greatly shored up our balance sheet heading into 2018, which gives us greater financial flexibility to continue to advance our Blade Smart Glasses and other elements of our strategy."

Mr. Travers continued, "With the recent deal from Toshiba, coupled with order visibility from other sources, Vuzix is confident that it is in a solid position to build on these gains in 2018. This new capital ensures that the Company is well positioned to support its continued growth as we drive towards profitability and rapid revenue growth in this burgeoning sector of the technology industry."

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About Vuzix Corporation

Vuzix is a leading supplier of Smart-Glasses and Augmented Reality (AR) technologies and products for the consumer and enterprise markets. The Company's products include personal display and wearable computing devices that offer users a portable high-quality viewing experience, provide solutions for mobility, wearable displays and virtual and augmented reality. Vuzix holds 59 patents and 42 additional patents pending and numerous IP licenses in the Video Eyewear field. The Company has won Consumer Electronics Show (or CES) awards for innovation for the years 2005 to 2018 and several wireless technology innovation awards among others. Founded in 1997, Vuzix is a public company (NASDAQ: VUZI) with offices in Rochester, NY, Oxford, UK and Tokyo, Japan.

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