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Veracyte Announces Appointment of John L. Bishop to Its Board of Directors Following the Resignation of Samuel D. Colella

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Nov. 12, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>Veracyte, Inc.</u> (Nasdaq: VCYT), a molecular diagnostics company pioneering the field of molecular cytology, announced the resignation of Samuel D. Colella from its Board of Directors, effective November 30, 2014. The Veracyte Board accepted his resignation at its November 11, 2014 meeting, during which it also approved the selection of veteran diagnostics executive John L. Bishop to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Colella, effective December 1, 2014. Mr. Bishop will also join the Board's Compensation Committee.

"On behalf of Veracyte, I would like to thank Sam for his years of service and significant contributions as a member of the founding Veracyte Board," said Bonnie H. Anderson, president and chief executive officer. "His guidance and depth of insight into the challenges and opportunities that emerging growth companies face have been invaluable to the company. He will be greatly missed."

Mr. Bishop has a distinguished career in diagnostics and the life sciences industry. He currently serves as chairman and chief executive officer of Cepheid, a leading global molecular diagnostics company, which he joined in 2002. Prior to that, he was president and chief executive officer of Vysis, Inc., a genomic disease management company that was acquired by Abbott Laboratories. From 1991 until 1993, Mr. Bishop was chairman and chief executive officer of MicroProbe Corporation, a biotechnology company, and from 1987 until 1991, of Source Scientific Systems, a biomedical instrument manufacturing company. Prior to that, from 1984 to 1986, he was president and chief operating officer of Gen-Probe, Inc., a molecular diagnostics company. Mr. Bishop served as a director of Conceptus, Inc., a medical device company, from February 2009 until June 2013 when it was acquired by Bayer HealthCare LLC. He has been a member of the AdvaMedDx Board, a medical diagnostics industry advocacy group, since 2010 and was elected chairman in December 2013.

"We are delighted to have John join our team," said Ms. Anderson. "His tremendous industry experience and insights, built over 30 years, will be instrumental as we continue to grow our business by delivering genomic solutions that improve patient care and take costs out of the healthcare system."

About Veracyte

Veracyte (Nasdaq: VCYT) is pioneering the field of molecular cytology, focusing on genomic solutions that resolve diagnostic ambiguity and enable physicians to make more informed treatment decisions at an early stage in patient care. By improving preoperative diagnostic accuracy, the company aims to help patients avoid unnecessary invasive procedures while reducing healthcare costs. Veracyte's first commercial solution, the Afirma® Thyroid FNA Analysis, centers on the proprietary Afirma Gene Expression Classifier (GEC) to resolve ambiguity in diagnosis and is becoming a new standard of care in thyroid nodule assessment. Since launching its Afirma solution in 2011, Veracyte estimates it has helped approximately 10,000 patients with thyroid nodules avoid unnecessary surgery, reducing healthcare costs by millions of dollars. Afirma is recommended in leading practice guidelines and is covered for more than 135 million lives in the United States, including through Medicare and most commercial insurance plans. Veracyte intends to expand its molecular cytology franchise to other clinical areas, beginning with difficult-to-diagnose lung diseases. The company is in late product development for a genomic test to resolve preoperative ambiguity in lung nodules that are suspicious for cancer. Veracyte is also developing a second product in pulmonology, targeting interstitial lung diseases that include idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis. For more information, please visit www.veracyte.com.

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