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Semico: semi sales to rise 17.5 percent in 2006

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MANHASSET, N.Y. — Semiconductor market research firm Semico Research said that semiconductor sales growth will reach 17.5 percent next year and continue at robust rates before entering a cyclical slowdown in late 2008.

Executives at a breakfast held by the firm Thursday (Dec. 1) projected flat, single-digit growth the next two to five years. However, Semico, using its Inflection Point Indicator as a reference, expects a pronounced growth cycle to begin in 2006.

Semico analysts believe that end-use market and semiconductor component demand will be robust, in contrast to more cautious forecasts issued by suppliers over the past few months.

Semiconductor sales appear to be rebounding, giving analysts an increased reason for optimism.

The three-month average of global semiconductor sales rose to \$20.05 billion in October, up slightly from \$19.55 billion in September according to World Semiconductor Trade Statistics published by the Semiconductor Industry Association.

The SIA noted strong consumer demand for cell phones, digital cameras, MP3 players, digital TVs, and personal computers.

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