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**Molex Named Official Sponsor of Bank of America Chicago Marathon**

*Multi-year sponsorship of iconic race reinforces corporate commitment to health and fitness*

**LISLE, IL – May 4, 2015** – [Molex Incorporated](#), a leading global manufacturer of electronic solutions, today announced a new partnership as an official sponsor of the Bank of America Chicago Marathon. The Bank of America Chicago Marathon is part of the Abbott World Marathon Majors (AWMM) race series. The annual event makes a significant economic impact on the host city of Chicago and assists in raising millions of dollars for a variety of charitable organizations.

“The Bank of America Chicago Marathon connects people from all walks of life and around the world who are committed to health and fitness. This aligns with our vision to provide innovative solutions for technology breakthroughs that help improve people’s lives,” said Martin Slark, CEO, Molex. “As an official sponsor, Molex is excited to show our spirit for Chicago and support one of the world’s preeminent marathons.”

The 2015 [Bank of America Chicago Marathon](#) marks the inaugural year of the Molex sponsorship, which extends through 2018. Molex will have booth presence in the Abbott Health and Fitness Expo and throughout the Chicago Marathon, including race day hospitality and information tents. A premier event that garners global recognition, the iconic 26.2-mile road race will start and finish in Chicago’s Grant Park, and attract thousands of participants from across the nation and more than 100 countries. Approximately 1.7 million spectators cheered on runners at last year’s marathon and millions more watch the televised coverage. The

prestigious event draws an elite field of athletes and charity participants who run through 29 Chicago neighborhoods.

“We are excited to welcome Molex as a new sponsor of the Bank of America Chicago Marathon,” said Carey Pinkowski, Bank of America Chicago Marathon executive race director. “The marathon gives runners the opportunity to challenge themselves, train hard and strive to achieve a personal best, and on race day we all share in their success. Molex and our other partners recognize healthy lifestyles and hard work as building blocks for world-class achievements.”

Molex supports health and fitness year-round through a variety of sponsorships and related initiatives that encourage employee and community activities. The Bank of America Chicago Marathon sponsorship will provide opportunities for Molex employees to get involved as runners, volunteers and spectators.

For more information about Molex, please visit [www.molex.com/marathon](http://www.molex.com/marathon).

### **About Molex Incorporated**

Providing more than connectors, Molex delivers complete interconnect solutions for a number of markets including: data communications, telecommunications, consumer electronics, industrial, automotive, commercial vehicle, aerospace and defense, medical, and lighting. Established in 1938, the company operates 50 manufacturing locations in 17 countries. The Molex website is [www.molex.com](http://www.molex.com). Follow us at [www.twitter.com/molexconnectors](http://www.twitter.com/molexconnectors), watch our videos at [www.youtube.com/molexconnectors](http://www.youtube.com/molexconnectors), connect with us at [www.facebook.com/molexconnectors](http://www.facebook.com/molexconnectors) and read our blog at [www.connector.com](http://www.connector.com).

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### **About the Bank of America Chicago Marathon**

In its 38th year, the Bank of America Chicago Marathon welcomes thousands of runners from more than 100 countries and all 50 states, including a world-class elite field, top regional and masters runners, race veterans, debut marathoners and charity runners. The race’s iconic course takes runners through 29 vibrant neighborhoods on an architectural and cultural tour of Chicago. In 2014, an estimated 1.7 million spectators lined the streets cheering on a record 40,659 runners from the start line to the final stretch down Columbus Drive. As a result of the

race's national and international draw, the Chicago Marathon assists in raising millions of dollars for a variety of charitable causes while generating \$253 million in annual economic impact to its host city. The 2015 Bank of America Chicago Marathon, a member of the Abbott World Marathon Majors, will start and finish in Grant Park beginning at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 11. In advance of the race, a two-day Abbott Health & Fitness Expo will be held at McCormick Place Convention Center on Friday, October 9, and Saturday, October 10. For more information about the event and how to get involved, go to [chicagomarathon.com](http://chicagomarathon.com).