

TCCI representatives made a number of suggestions for improving communications between Canada and Japan, including: promoting economic missions; increasing information exchanges; developing information packages for dissemination in Japan; and using TCCI to pass on enquiries from Canadian companies and convey the specific needs of small companies to potentially interested partners in Japan. Mission members felt that because of the nature of TCCI membership and its expressed willingness to cooperate and provide assistance in improving links between companies in the two countries, Canadian companies should cultivate a relationship with TCCI appropriate to their needs.

#### **SEMICON 86 JAPAN (DEC. 4 - 6, 1986)**

SEMICON 86 was a semiconductor technology show produced by Marcom International Inc. and sponsored by SEMI. Support was also made available from the U.S. Embassy for this three day event.

The show featured some 900 companies in nearly 2,000 booths displaying the latest in semiconductor advanced products. Canada also had a booth at this show with materials from the Canadian industry on display. Among the materials on display from all companies were: wafer fabrication equipment; wafer process equipment; mask-making equipment; mask/wafer testers; assembly elements; IC/LSI testers; parts and accessories (for everything from clean rooms to packaging materials); materials (gas/photo resist, mask materials and wafer materials); and other equipment such as cryopumps.

SEMI, the show sponsor, is an association with 1,200 corporate and 600 individual members, that was set up in 1970 to organize and manage equipment and materials trade shows that would attract manufacturers of semiconductors. It is now an international trade association offering many services to members around the world. Its headquarters is in Mountain View California - (415) 964-5111.

Similar displays and conferences will be held in Osaka (June '87) and in Seoul Korea (November '87).