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Quality, environment & social aspects combined in an integrated management system: All AT&S plants qualified according to ISO 9001, TS 16949, ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001

Ecology, social responsibility and economics do not conflict with each other at AT&S, one of the world's strongest-performing printed circuit board manufacturers. On the contrary, all aspects assure sustainable business and are being combined within AT&S's integrated management system. With the successful certification of the AT&S plant in Korea, now all AT&S sites worldwide are qualified according to ISO 9001, TS 16949, ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001 standards.

The AT&S integrated management system combines the issues quality, environment, safety and people's health, and documents relevance and equality of these issues accordingly. The system rests upon quality norms ISO 9001, TS 16949 (quality management for automotive production), the environmental management standard ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001 (standard for occupational health & safety). Regular internal audits and revisions by independent third parties confirm the consistent compliance to the AT&S management system. The latest global audits were terminated successfully. "Now all AT&S sites are being qualified according to the Group-wide system. AT&S's plant in Korea, which had been acquired in 2006, was primarily integrated", states Harald Sommerer, CEO of AT&S. "In a process-oriented business such as PCB production quality is of major importance. Linked with AT&S's responsibility as a corporate citizen, the globally successful qualification underpins our intense efforts within this area."

AT&S's product portfolio comprises single-sided, double-sided, multilayer, HDI, flexible, rigid-flexible and semi-flexible printed circuit boards tailored to individual customer specification. In total AT&S supplies more than 10,000 different products per year, and the range extends from prototypes to volume production. AT&S is strongly geared towards manufacturing highly complex HDI-PCBs, which involves around 50 different production steps. Therefore, the quality of products and production processes is vital and gives AT&S a significant competitive advantage. It is essential to deliver the level of quality demanded by customers, to minimise production wastage, and to optimise the use of capacity and resources.

About AT&S

AT&S Austria Technologie & Systemtechnik Aktiengesellschaft is European market leader and one of the world's strongest-performing printed circuit board (PCB) manufacturers. AT&S is extremely well positioned in the market for high-tech HDI Microvia printed circuit boards, which are chiefly used in mobile devices. The Company is also highly successful in the automotive, industrial, and medical sectors. As a high-growth international enterprise, AT&S has a global presence with six production facilities – three in Austria and one each in India, China, and Korea. Also see www.ats.net.

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