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AT&S is reported the largest HDI PCB plant in China by CPCA China

With more than 550,000 m² of produced printed circuit boards (PCB) AT&S's plant in Shanghai is the largest HDI PCB production site in China. This has now been highlighted by the CPCA (China Printed Circuit Association) industry statistical report for the year 2008.

Measured by PCB output and sales revenue, AT&S in Shanghai is the No. 1 printed circuit board plant in the HDI sector in China. This was recently published by CPCA China PCB industry statistical report for the year 2008. While the total Chinese HDI sector output – measured by the area of PCBs produced – fell by 1.21% compared to 2007, AT&S China managed to increase output by more than 15% in 2008. Additionally, revenues at AT&S China rose with the similar increase in comparison to 2007, while overall HDI revenue in China fell by 2.33% year-on-year. Its top performance enabled AT&S China to improve from No. 4 ranked HDI PCB manufacturer in 2006 to No. 2 ranked in 2007 to finally outperform in 2008 now being the largest HDI PCB plant in China mainland. The ranking underpins the successful growth strategy of the Company that is the largest PCB manufacturer in Europe and India as well.

The Austrian AT&S Group has been represented in Shanghai by its subsidiary AT&S (China) Co., Ltd. since 2001. AT&S's factory in Shanghai began operations in 2002 and since then has been growing continuously. With a total investment of about USD 500m, AT&S is the largest Austrian industrial investor in China. The Shanghai location, with its facility on a total of 100,000 m², is AT&S's largest production site. AT&S China concentrates on the mass production of laser drilled HDI circuit boards, which are principally used in mobile devices such as mobile telephones and digital cameras. Recently, an increasing demand for HDI technology also in automotive applications and computing has been recognised. This has been opening up new business areas in the use of AT&S's core technology providing for additional business opportunities.

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 – and a sales network that spans four continents. Also see www.ats.net.

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