

Press Release

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AT&S awarded as top supplier by Huawei and delivers high-end PCBs to Huawei's most fashionable 3G data card

Huawei's rotatable and most fashionable 3G data card E180 combines HSPA connectivity and flash memory features in a sleek design. To ensure leading-edge technology, Huawei relies on most advanced PCBs by AT&S, one of the world's strongest-performing PCB manufacturers, for its data cards and mobile phones. AT&S was recently awarded with the "Huawei Supply Support Award" for Q1 2009.

With High Speed Packet Access (HSPA) and an innovative swiveling USB connector, Huawei's E180 device is the world's slimmest HSPA USB stick to date. The only 10 mm thick data card is a highly compact device supporting the complete range of HSPA/UMTS and GSM/GPRS/EDGE network technologies, allowing fast uplink speed rates of up to 5.76 Mbps and a downlink of up to 7.2 Mbps. The rotatable USB connection can be turned by 270 degrees and allows to be folded after usage.



Due to its size, its technology and high-tech components, the device requires high-end HDI-PCBs. AT&S's largest plant in Shanghai produces the HDI-PCBs for this data card. Furthermore, AT&S is also one of the strategic suppliers of PCBs for Huawei's mobile phones. To appreciate the good business relationship, AT&S has recently been awarded with the "Huawei Supply Support Award" for Q1 2009. Quick response times, on-time delivery and high flexibility also when accepting sudden big volume orders have been the decisive criteria to highlight AT&S's overall top performance. Moreover, AT&S received the rarely assigned top rating A in Huawei's regular Quarterly Quality Score Card which is an overall supplier performance tool focusing on quality as well as delivery performance, design capacity etc.

AT&S is the major supplier for Huawei's data card business. Data card market is one of the few markets which increase rapidly with strong double-digit growth rates.

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.

About Huawei

Huawei Communication is committed to being the best terminal products partner for all operators and has already sold products to 470 operators in 130 countries by the end of 2008. Huawei Communication has established partnerships with 36 of the top 50 global telecom operators including world-class operators such as Vodafone, T-Mobile, BT, and Telefónica. Huawei's product portfolio includes mobile network, broadband network, IP-based, optical network, telecom value-added service, and terminals. Also see www.huaweidevice.com.

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