3M Headquarters for Flexible Circuits Business Obtains ISO 9001:2000 Certification

The 3M Microinterconnect Systems Division (MSD) headquarters in Austin, Texas, has received ISO 9001:2000 certification for design, development, deployment and management of global business processes for commercialization of flexible microinterconnect circuits. TUV Rheinland of North America is the independent certification body which handled the conformity assessment for MSD in Austin.

This means that now all laboratory, manufacturing and administrative facilities of this 3M division, located in Eau Claire, Wis.; Columbia, Mo.; Kimitsu-city, Japan; Singapore; and headquartered in Austin, are certified to ISO 9001. The certificate (Registration No. 74 300 2130) can be seen on the business's Web site (www.3M.com/microinterconnect).

The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) is a network of national standards institutes from 145 countries working in partnership with international organizations, governments, industries, and business and consumer representatives. The ISO standards give organizations guidelines on what constitutes an effective, quality-management system and models against which this system can be audited to give the organization and its clients assurance that it is operating effectively.

3M Microinterconnect Systems provides custom, high-performance flexible circuits for today's demanding electronics applications, including ink jet printers, hard disk drives, optoelectronics, liquid crystal displays, medical, bio-analytical, IC packaging and other fine-pitch interconnect applications. 3M's technology, materials and process expertise enable its offering of circuits with one- and two-metal layer construction, and liquid crystal polymer or polyimide substrates. The division also supplies high-density multilayer interconnect solutions for electronics and photonics packaging. These high-density laminated chip packages provide breakthrough density and outstanding electrical performance optimized for ASICs in high bandwidth and networking applications. To learn more about the division's products, go to <u>www.3M.com/microinterconnect</u>.

About 3M

3M is a \$16 billion diversified technology company with leading positions in consumer and office; display and graphics; electronics and telecommunications; health care; industrial; safety, security and protection services; transportation and other businesses. Headquartered in St. Paul, Minnesota, the company has operations in more than 60 countries and serves customers in nearly 200 countries. 3M is one of the 30 stocks that make up the Dow Jones Industrial Average and also is a component of the Standard & Poor's 500 Index. For more information about 3M, go to <u>www.3M.com.</u>

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