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Elekonta and SCHWEIZER agree on partnership

Schramberg/Gerlingen, December 9, 2013 – Elekonta Marek GmbH & Co. KG and Schweizer Electronic AG have concluded an agreement on a cooperation in the prototype segment for innovative Printed Circuit Board (PCB) solutions.

The increasing trend towards high tech and innovative products in the European PCB market forms the basis of this collaboration. It is a constant challenge for suppliers to provide customers with adequate technology samples in high quality which are suitable for subsequent serial production.

Via the cooperation with SCHWEIZER, Elekonta, a company focussing on prototype manufacturing of PCBs, expands its service for existing customers. Following the successful execution of prototypes, these customers will then have the option of having SCHWEIZER produce mid-size and high-volume series. SCHWEIZER's customers, on the other hand, will be offered a second source for the production of samples via Elekonta.

In their collaboration and for the benefit of their customers, the partners will concentrate on the area of new technologies, the related exchange of trends and the multiplying factor connected to it. Initially, Elekonta and SCHWEIZER will focus on HDI, thick copper, HF and impedance-controlled PCBs.

„The new partnership will ensure that technology samples can later on be produced in adequate quality and reliability in high volumes” says Christian Rössle, Vice President Sales & Marketing at SCHWEIZER.

And Lars Presche, Managing Director with Elekonta Marek, adds: “Via this cooperation we would like to generate for our customers an additional value-add in the product life cycle and to counter the continuously growing trade business”.

About ELEKONTA:

For four decades Elekonta Marek GmbH & Co. KG has been one of the leading German PCB manufacturers in the field of prototypes and express delivery. The company is headquartered in Gerlingen, Baden Württemberg and employees 60 staff members. Specialising in innovative and high tech products, Elekonta considers

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itself since its early beginnings as a development partner for the electronics industry and expands this approach by readiness for innovations, a good sense of proportion and an uncompromising quality standard.

About Schweizer:

Schweizer Electronic AG is a global best-in-class technology company, manufacturing premium PCBs, innovative solutions and services for automotive, solar and industry electronics. Based on recognized technology and consultancy competencies, SCHWEIZER's products and systems address central challenges in the areas of Power Electronics, Embedding and System Cost Reduction and are characterized by energy and environmentally friendly features. Together with its partners Elekonta Marek GmbH & Co. KG and Meiko Electronics Co. Ltd., the company offers in its division PCB cost and production optimised solutions for small, medium and large series and within this network employs more than 11,000 people in Germany, Japan, China and Vietnam.

With about 700 employees SCHWEIZER achieved sales of 100.2 million Euro in Fiscal Year 2012 (ending December). The company was founded in 1849, is managed by family members and listed at the Stuttgart and Frankfurt Stock Exchanges (ticker symbol „SCE“, „ISIN DE 000515623“).

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