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STS acquires IBM Column Attach Tools and Technology License

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Silicon Turnkey Solutions™ (STS), a leading provider of design-to-product-enablement and single-source engineering solutions, announced it has acquired a technology license, patent license, and tool purchase agreement for manufacturing and rework rights to the IBM Column Grid Array (CGA) column attach process.

"The column attach (CA) is a specialized final assembly process vital to the High Reliability component needs of our customers in the Aerospace & Defense market place", commented Marti McCurdy, VP of Silicon 360; a division of STS. "STS is committed to provide the column attach services following identical processes, materials, and workmanship standards as customers have been accustomed to historically from IBM." She stated that the CA line will extend the availability of this process and technology well into the future providing a solution to the "critical" process pioneered by IBM, and removing any DMS concern for our National Defense Sector.

"The technology license is an essential part of our integrated turn-key solutions to the Aerospace and Defense Industry customers", stated Zef Malik, CEO of STS. "This, in conjunction to our recent acquisition of a contract and electronic manufacturing company, places us in a very unique position to provide total enablement capabilities of assembly, column attach, board level assembly manufacturing, and component and system level solutions."

About Silicon Turnkey Solutions

Silicon Turnkey Solutions™ (STS) is a privately owned USA based company, headquartered in Milpitas, California. STS is an industry recognized design-to-product-enablement company and collaborative partner that offers single-source wafer-level to complete turn-key assembly engineering solutions, and delivery of high-density integration SOC and SIP solutions designed into ASICs, Hybrids, MCMs, and FPGAs. STS also integrates design migration, engineering, manufacturing, test, and qualification processes with operational expertise to provide leading edge technology and services. This enables our semiconductor customers to meet demanding time-to-market pressure, cost, and technical challenges in today's consumer, defense, aerospace and green markets. STS is fully equipped to handle defense and Space qualification flows, value-added screening and support on diminished and obsolete component products.

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