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STI Electronics Wins a 2009 Global Technology Award

MADISON, AL — November 2009 — STI Electronics Inc. announces that it has been awarded a Global Technology Award in the category of Anti-Counterfeiting Services for its Chemical Decap Service. The award was presented to the company during a Tuesday, November 10, 2009 ceremony that took place at the New Munich Trade Fair Center in Munich, Germany.

STI Electronics performs a special chemical decap service for customers who want to see if they are receiving counterfeit parts from their supply chain vendors. STI also provides this same service to component manufacturers who want to verify if certain returned components are truly their original manufactured parts. This service provides the ability to chemically decap the integrated circuit from the overmold package and verify at the die level if the die inside the component package is the original manufacturers die. This is a good way to know without a shadow of a doubt if the component in question is counterfeit.

STI's decap service verifies components, resulting in dramatically reduced scrap and tremendous cost savings. The quickest and most effective way to see what the die looks like inside the component packaging and what the markings are on the die itself is to chemically decap the part and expose the die for topography mapping and marking identification plus the added elemental analysis of the die material itself to make sure the die is not being copied illegally. This process gives three independent reviews to determine if the die is being used as a counterfeit component.

Premiering in 2005, the Global Technology Awards program is an annual celebration of product excellence in electronics surface mount assembly. Premier products based on the finest examples of creative advancement in technology are chosen by a distinguished panel of industry experts.

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About STI Electronics, Inc.

Since 1982, STI Electronics, Inc. (STI) has been the premier full service organization for training, consulting, laboratory analysis, prototyping, and small- to medium-volume PCB assembly in the electronics industry. STI also produces a complete line of solder training kits and training support products. Additionally, the company distributes products for the electronics and industrial markets. For more information, visit www.stielectronicsinc.com.