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IPC PCQR^2 Test Laboratory Established in Hong Kong

Albuquerque, NM , April 29, 2003-- Conductor Analysis Technologies, Inc. (CAT, Inc.) and IPC—Association Connecting Electronics Industries® announce the creation of the first test laboratory outside of the U.S. equipped to test the IPC Process Capability, Quality and Relative Reliability (PCQR^2) test panels. Located in Hong Kong, the facility will be managed and staffed by the Hong Kong Productivity Council (HKPC) and will be outfitted with test systems supplied by CAT, Inc., Introbotics Corporation and Integrated Reliability Systems, Inc.

"We are pleased to offer this unique testing capability to printed circuit board manufacturers located in the Asia/Pacific region," said Daniel Chan, senior consultant at the HKPC.

"This facility will eliminate the cost and time involved with sending the IPC PCQR^2 test panels to the United States for testing, as is currently required," added S. L. Law, HKPC senior principal consultant.

The IPC PCQR^2 test panels are used to document the capability, quality and reliability of printed circuit board manufacturers. OEMs and EMS companies are utilizing the IPC PCQR^2 Database to obtain quantifiable statistical data on their current and potential supply-base. Subscribers are able to find, screen and select manufacturers based on technology requirements, tailor designs for manufacturability, perform intelligent sourcing, establish realistic design rules, reduce costs and ensure reliability.

According to Timothy Estes, chairman and CEO of CAT, Inc., "This is an important step for the IPC PCQR^2 program and will help to ensure timely testing and data analysis to our global OEM and EMS customers and to the Asia/Pacific printed circuit board manufacturers. The facility is scheduled to be completely operational by September 2003."

For more information about the IPC PCQR^2 Database, visit www.pcbquality.com or contact Dave Wolf, Vice President of Technical Marketing at CAT, Inc., at dave.wolf@cat-test.info or 952-652-9033.

For information about the Hong Kong Productivity Council, visit www.hkpc.org or contact Chan at daniel@hkpc.org or 852-27885738.

About Conductor Analysis Technologies, Inc. (CAT, Inc.)
Conductor Analysis Technologies, Inc. is a global provider of market-critical data utilized by designers, purchasers and manufacturers of printed circuit boards, and by material and equipment suppliers to the printed circuit industry. The products and services provide quantitative data on printed circuit manufacturing capability, quality and reliability. For more information, visit www.cat-test.info.

About Hong Kong Productivity Council (HKPC)
The Hong Kong Productivity Council is a multi-disciplinary organization established by statute in 1967 to promote increased productivity and the use of more efficient methods throughout Hong Kong's business sectors. HKPC's mission is to promote productivity excellence through the provision of integrated support across the value chain of Hong Kong firms, in order to achieve a more effective utilization of resources, to enhance the value added content of products and services, and to increase international competitiveness. HKPC is also one of the Asian IPC Certification Centers for IPC-610 and IPC-600 standards. For more information, visit www.hkpc.org.

About IPC
IPC is a Northbrook, Ill.-based trade association dedicated to the competitive excellence and financial success of its more than 2,300 member companies, which represent all facets of the electronic interconnection industry, including design, printed circuit board manufacturing and electronics assembly. As a member-driven organization and leading source for industry standards, training, market research and public policy advocacy, IPC supports programs to meet the needs of a $40 billion U.S. industry employing more than 350,000 people. IPC maintains offices in Taos, N.M.; Washington, D.C.; Garden Grove, Calif.; and Shanghai, China. For more information, visit www.ipc.org.