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Intel Honors 13 Companies with Supplier Continuous Quality Improvement Award

SANTA CLARA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--

Intel Corporation today announced the 13 winners of the company's most prestigious award for suppliers: the Supplier Continuous Quality Improvement (SCQI) award. The honor, bestowed for outstanding commitment to quality and performance excellence in 2007, recognizes companies that provided products and services deemed essential to Intel's business success. This select group will be honored at a banquet dinner ceremony in Burlingame, Calif. on March 18.

The 2007 SCQI winners are: Asymtek, a Nordson Company; Daewon Semiconductor Packaging Industrial Company; DISCO Corporation; Grohmann Engineering; Hitachi High-Technologies Corporation; Hitachi Kokusai Electric Inc.; ICOS Vision Systems, NV; Kelly Services, Inc.; Moses Lake Industries (Tama Chemicals); Nippon Mining & Metals Co., Ltd.; Senju Metal Industry Co., Ltd.; SUMCO Corporation; and TXC Corporation.

"As we celebrate Intel's 40th anniversary, we are delighted to recognize the significant accomplishments and contributions of our suppliers," said William Holt, senior vice president and general manager of Intel's Technology and Manufacturing Group. "The SCQI award winners have consistently demonstrated world-class performance, agility and the ability to deliver leading-edge products and services."

"The SCQI award winners are role models in the industry," said Brian Krzanich, vice president and general manager of Intel's Manufacturing and Supply Chain. "These 13 suppliers are distinguished by their sustained exceptional performance and commitment to manufacturing support. We commend and thank them for their superb level of achievement."

The SCQI award is part of Intel's Supplier Continuous Quality Improvement process, which encourages Intel's suppliers to strive for excellence and continuous improvement. To qualify for SCQI status, suppliers must score at least 95 percent on a report card that assesses performance and ability to meet cost, quality, availability, delivery, technology and responsiveness goals. Additional information about the program is available at http://supplier.intel.com/quality.

Intel will also recognize the winners with an advertisement in the U.S., European and Asian editions of The Wall Street Journal on March 18.

The SCQI winners provide Intel with the following products or services:

-- Asymtek, a Nordson Company, supplies automated dispense equipment

-- Daewon Semiconductor Packaging Industrial Company supplies

plastic injection mold trays and LGA covers (shipping media)

-- DISCO Corporation supplies precision singulation, wafer saws, polishers and grinding equipment

-- Grohmann Engineering supplies assembly capital equipment

-- Hitachi High-Technologies Corporation supplies etchers, CD-SEM and defect inspection tools

-- Hitachi Kokusai Electric Inc. supplies diffusion furnaces

-- ICOS Vision Systems, NV supplies automated visual inspection equipment

-- Kelly Services, Inc. provides staffing services

-- Moses Lake Industries (Tama Chemicals) supplies ultra-high purity process and performance chemicals

-- Nippon Mining & Metals Co., Ltd. supplies sputtering targets for physical vapor deposition applications

-- Senju Metal Industry Co., Ltd. supplies soldering materials

-- SUMCO Group supplies 200mm and 300mm polished and epitaxial silicon wafers

-- TXC Corporation supplies crystals and oscillators

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