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Senko Acquires CudoForm. Bolstering Optical Communications Industry Leadership



Senko Advanced Components, Inc. is announcing its acquisition of CudoForm, a world-leading company in the design and manufacturing of high-precision metal micro-optic components with applications in data communications, consumer photonics, and biosafety. The acquisition will bring together two global industry leaders in their respective fields, whose aligned and combined product capabilities will drive adoption of advanced and innovative optical interconnect solutions.

In today's fast-paced world, providing solutions to integrate optics with electronics circuits, also known as Co-Packaged Optics (CPO), thus raising optical performance, increasing bandwidth, and reducing power consumption

are in high demand "The employees and management of CudoForm are excited to join SENKO," said Dr. Ryan Vallance, chief executive officer of CudoForm "We recognize the importance of high precision and reliable connectivity for CPO and with the combination of CudoForm and SENKO, we bring together complementary technology platforms to provide novel solutions that meet the demanding requirements of this tight spaced packaging and difficult to integrate photonics ecosystem."

CudoForm can make this possible due to its expertise in high accuracy stamping of metallic components, such as optical connectors. Together with their extensive years of research and development, this acquisition will firmly place Senko Advanced Components, Inc. at the heart of the emerging and fast-growing optical communications market especially in the field of Photonic Integrated Circuit or PIC Interconnect. Furthermore, expertise in accurate beam shaping and directionality, will generate new opportunities in high growth areas beyond the primary focus of Data Center switch interconnect, such as 3D / VR Imaging, LIDAR, Digital Health and Sensing, and Solid-state Lighting and UVC LED pathogen reduction.

"We are very happy about this acquisition, especially because CudoForm is a world leader when it comes to optical interconnectivity. By merging their research and innovative solutions with our expertise we will be able to improve our product development and further strengthen our position in the market. Both organizations share a common mission to deliver the highest performance and innovations to our customers. We look forward to delivering the combined synergies of two industry leading companies to our customers," commented Kazu Takano - President at Senko Advanced Components, Inc.

About Senko

Senko Advanced Components is a wholly owned subsidiary of the SENKO Advance, which is headquartered in Yokkaichi, Japan, with 16 locations globally, and dozens of design and manufacturing facilities providing local support to customers all around the globe. SENKO was incorporated in the United States in the early nineties, and it has since been recognized as one of the industry's specialists in passive fiber optics interconnect and optical components. SENKO's reputation is due in large part to its full vertical integration from the design capabilities, qualification/testing, and manufacturing. To date, SENKO has deployed over 800 million connectors, and it has over 150 awarded patents, with more than 300 pending