

Taiwan's Top-Tier Power Management IC Design House Selects KVD's Test Platform for High Volume Manufacturing

Hsinchu, Taiwan, R.O.C., December 28, 2009 – KVD Company, Inc. and STAR Technologies announce that KVD's M2 mixed signal test platform has been chosen for high volume manufacturing by top-tier power management IC design house and a key outsourced assembly and test (OSAT) company. KVD's high performance cost effective test system combined by STAR's excellent high quality application service and support capability are the key factors in winning these multi-system orders. This is an important milestone for the partnership between KVD and STAR in penetrating the Taiwan power management IC market.

STAR's excellent engineering capabilities have put KVD's test system in the winning league against industry well-known ATE competitors. By successfully collaborating sales and engineering efforts in Taiwan, STAR and KVD have put up a winning team to demonstrate the superior performance, parallel test throughput efficiency and ease of use of the test system. On-site benchmark has shown that KVD's test system improves test throughput by more than 40% in comparison with incumbent tester from leading ATE vendor. KVD's test system combines precise analog VI resources, per-channel TMU, high density digital board, and friendly user interface designs to meet power management IC customers' demanding requirements.

"We are extremely pleased with the decision to select KVD test system from these key customers", said Paul Chen, general manager of test and measurement business unit of STAR Technologies. "The KVD test system has seen rapid acceptance and deployment in the market based on its ability to test emerging technologies at the lowest cost of test while also reducing test development and characterization efforts."

"These multi-system orders have shown STAR's capability in delivering a new key test platform from KVD to the power management IC test market in Taiwan. KVD's test technologies coupled with STAR's strong sales and engineering support have proven to be a successful winning formula and we are committed to working closely with STAR to enable our customers' future success." said Veets Veitas, CEO of KVD.

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