

Dear Customers,

Today we announced that Cohu, Inc. (Cohu) intends to acquire Kita Mfg. (Kita) to grow its portfolio of solutions for semiconductor test and drive the expansion of contactor design and manufacturing in Osaka, Japan.

Cohu, with annual revenue of approximately \$270M, is the leader in the test and inspection handler market with major operations in the USA, Germany, Switzerland, Malaysia and the Philippines, and has the largest global customer support organization in the industry. Kita is a leading supplier of spring probe technology and manufacturing located in Osaka.

Kita and Cohu are excited to join forces and broaden the test contacting solutions that can be provided to our customers. A few key points about this announcement:

- Kita will continue to operate from Osaka, Japan and Massachusetts, USA designing and manufacturing spring probe products. Opportunities exist to expand the operation and provide greater near-term greater manufacturing capacity.
- Kita will collaborate with Cohu's ITS test contactor business, complementing Cohu's contactor product portfolio and giving them greater flexibility to serve the customers' test requirements.
- We expect the acquisition to be completed in early 2017 after satisfying some customary requirements.

We look forward to the continuation of our strong partnership.

Best Regards,

Tomohiko Kita
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Kita Mfg.