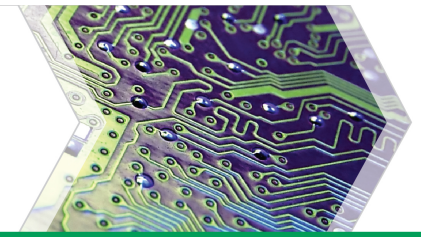




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SMTC's Chihuahua, Mexico, Facility Awarded ISO 14001 Environmental Certification

TORONTO – March 29, 2016 – SMTC Corporation (Nasdaq: SMTX), a global electronics manufacturing services provider, today announces that their Chihuahua, Mexico, manufacturing facility has earned the environmental certification ISO 14001 from the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). This certification follows two days of intensive audits of SMTC's environmental management system and practices by an accredited ISO Registrar.

"This achievement illustrates SMTC's commitment to the environment. ISO 14001 certification is increasingly becoming a customer requirement and we are excited to be part of its adoption worldwide." said Sushil Dhiman, President and Chief Executive Officer, SMTC Corporation.

The ISO 14001 standard provides tools for companies and organizations looking to identify and control their environmental impact while continually improving their performance. ISO 14001 defines the criteria to which an environmental management system can be certified, and maps out a framework that an organization should follow. Using ISO 14001 can provide assurance to customers, employees, and stakeholders that a company's environmental impact is being measured and improved. Key areas SMTC focuses on include: compliance with environmental legislation, pollution prevention, minimizing energy and resource usage, and exceeding customer environmental expectations.

Steve Brown, Vice President of Quality and Engineering believes, "This certification provides us with a prominent means to demonstrate our strong commitment to the environment and our community. It also serves to showcase our commitment to environmental practices within our industry."

SMTC offers fully integrated contract manufacturing services with a distinctive approach to global original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and emerging technology companies primarily within industrial & commercial, computing & networking, communication & instrumentation, consumer & high-tech electronics, medical & life science, and power & energy market segments. These services support the safe deployment and execution of new innovative electronic products, including the ability to deliver product recall, traceability, record retention, and risk management.

About SMTC Corporation: SMTC Corporation, founded in 1985, is a mid-size provider of end-to-end electronics manufacturing services (EMS), including: PCBA production, systems integration and

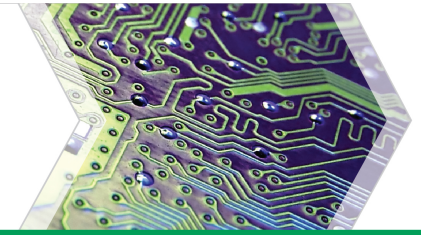


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comprehensive testing services, enclosure fabrication, as well as product design, sustaining engineering, and supply chain management services. SMTC facilities span a broad footprint in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and China, with approximately 1,170 employees. SMTC services extend over the entire electronic product life cycle, from the development and introduction of new products to the growth, maturity and end-of-life phases. SMTC offers fully integrated contract manufacturing services with a distinctive approach to global original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and emerging technology companies primarily within industrial, computing, communication, and medical market segments. SMTC is a public company incorporated in Delaware with its shares traded on the Nasdaq National Market System under the symbol SMTX. For further information on SMTC Corporation, please visit our website at www.smtc.com (<http://www.smtc.com/>).

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