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# EpiWorld accelerates Commercialization of SiC Devices with new AIXTRON Tool

AIX G5 WW C offers best-in-class production quality at lowest cost

Herzogenrath/Germany, 07 November, 2019 – AIXTRON SE (FSE: AIXA), a worldwide leading provider of deposition equipment to the semiconductor industry, today announced that it has provided an AIX G5 WW C system to EpiWorld International Co., Ltd for the further development of next generation silicon carbide (SiC) epitaxial wafers mainly used for the manufacturing of power devices for automotive applications. The shipment and installation of AIXTRON's high-volume manufacturing system to EpiWorld's cleanroom facilities in Xiamen, China, has been conducted in Q3/2019.

The AIX G5 WW C MOCVD tool is based on AIXTRON's production-proven, fully-automated Planetary Reactor® platform disposing the largest batch capacity and highest throughput in the industry. The system offers flexible 6-inch or 4-inch configurations with the design aiming at squeezing production costs to a minimum, while maintaining excellent production quality.

EpiWorld seeks to further expand its production capacity to meet the increasing demand by customers. A leading China-based producer, the company has already completed production lines for 4- and 6-inch SiC epitaxial wafers for making 600V, 1,200V and 1,700V power devices.

"In recent years, we have been qualified as a leading supplier of SiC epitaxy wafers by device manufacturers in the automotive and various other sectors. Therefore, we have a strong footprint in one of the most challenging industries. We had so far served over 100 customers around the world. With this new addition, our annual capacity will be increased to 60,000 wafers in 2019. Our recently completed phase I expansion of an 18,000 square meters new facility is designed to provide manufacturing space for an annual capacity of up to 400,000 wafers. As we and our customers have high quality standards, we rely on industry leaders such as AIXTRON and their proven system technology to meet these requirements appropriately. We are looking forward to launch the high-volume production of our SiC epitaxial wafers with the AIX G5 WW C", says Dr. Gan Feng, General Manager of EpiWorld.

Dr. Felix Grawert, President of AIXTRON SE, comments: "We are delighted to cooperate with one of the leading epitaxy foundries to accelerate the further commercialization of silicon carbide. Silicon carbide will support the development of numerous high-end power electronics applications, meaning that we are paving the way for megatrends such as e-mobility or renewable energy."

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#### **About EpiWorld**

EpiWorld International Co., LTD is a privately held company registered in the city of Xiamen, China. The company is a joint venture with investors from the United States, Japan and China, equipped with multiple most advanced epitaxial systems for 4-inch and 6-inch SiC epitaxy, auto defect identification and mapping system in a class-100 cleanroom. Its mission is to be the leading SiC epitaxial service foundry in the global market, providing the highest quality epitaxial wafers with the most competitive price in the shortest delivery time. As a pure play SiC epitaxial service foundry, EpiWorld provides standard 4H-SiC epitaxial wafers of 4-inch and 6-inch for Schottky diodes, MOSFETs, JFETs, and BJTs over a wide voltage range for green energy systems such as solar inverters, wind farms, hybrid and electric vehicles, and numerous other energy-efficient systems. EpiWorld also provides customized wafers for IGBTs, GTO thyristors, and R&D structures over a wider voltage range for medium to very high voltage power conversion system applications.

Further information are available at the company's website: www.epiworld-cn.com

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