

NEWS RELEASE

Toppan Photomasks Receives ‘Vendor of the Year’ Award from X-FAB

ROUND ROCK, Texas — June 30, 2005 — Toppan Photomasks, Inc. announced today that it has received the “Vendor of the Year” Award for 2004 from X-FAB Semiconductor Foundries AG, a leading independent supplier of analog/mixed-signal semiconductors.

Given annually to only one of X-FAB’s global suppliers, the award recognizes the outstanding supplier who has consistently demonstrated superior performance in providing quality products and services that are key to X-FAB’s success. The award is based on critical supply categories such as delivery time, customer service, environmental practices, product quality and value, and consistent ISO certification.

“Toppan Photomasks is very proud to receive this award from X-FAB,” said Jim Northup, chief operating officer of Toppan Photomasks. “X-FAB’s Vendor of the Year Award recognizes our commitment to partnering with our customers to deliver superior products and services in order to make them successful. We look forward to building upon this recognition and finding ways to help X-FAB maintain its status as a leading global foundry for analog/mixed-signal devices.”

“When it comes to photomasks, Toppan Photomasks has become our supplier of choice,” said Don Meinkoth, chief operating officer of the X-FAB Group. “Their commitment to partner with us to reduce cycle times and continuously improve product quality has helped us improve the level of service we can provide to our customers. Toppan Photomasks’ collaborative spirit is the benchmark against which all of our suppliers are measured.”

The award also reflects the long-standing successful relationship between X-FAB and Toppan Photomasks. Formerly known as DuPont Photomasks, Inc., the company was acquired by Toppan Printing Co., Ltd. in April. Last year, the company received the Supplier Excellence Award for 2003 from X-FAB Texas, Inc. in Lubbock, a wholly owned subsidiary of X-FAB Semiconductor Foundries of Erfurt, Germany.

About Toppan Photomasks

Together with the photomasks business of Toppan Printing, we form the world's premier photomask provider. Utilizing operations within the industry's most advanced and largest network of manufacturing facilities, the company offers a comprehensive range of photomask technologies, and research and development capabilities, to meet the increasingly sophisticated and divergent product-and-service requirements of the global semiconductor industry. Toppan Photomasks, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Toppan Printing. The company is headquartered in Round Rock, Texas, USA. For more information visit www.photomask.com.

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About Toppan Printing

Founded in 1900, Toppan Printing has branched into eight diverse business fields including security cards, commercial printing, publications printing, e-business, packaging, decorative materials, electronics and optronics. In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005, Toppan posted revenues of ¥1,413.6 billion (approximately US\$13.5 billion) and ended the year with approximately 32,700 employees. For more information visit www.toppan.co.jp.

About X-FAB

X-FAB Semiconductor Foundries AG, headquartered in Erfurt, Germany, is an independent analog/mixed-signal foundry manufacturing silicon wafers for analog-digital integrated circuits (mixed-signal ICs) on customer order. The company maintains production facilities in Erfurt (Germany), Plymouth (UK) and Lubbock (Texas, US) and employs approximately 1,000 people worldwide. Wafers are manufactured based on ultra-modern modular CMOS- and BiCMOS- processes with technologies ranging from 1.0 down to 0.35 micron. Main application areas are the automotive, communications, consumer and industrial sector. More information is available at www.xfab.com.

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