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# Press Release

## **Kester to Showcase EM918AP Solder Paste at NEPCON China/EMT China 2007**

**Itasca, IL — April 12, 2007** — Kester will display its EM918AP lead-free, no-clean solder paste in booth 2G30 at the upcoming NEPCON China/EMT China 2007 exhibition and conference, scheduled to take place April 24-27, 2007, in Shanghai, PR China.

Kester's EnviroMark 918AP is a lead-free, halide-free, air- and nitrogen-reflowable, no-clean solder paste specifically designed for the thermal requirements of lead-free SAC alloys. EM918AP exhibits excellent printing characteristics on fine pitches (0.4mm/16 mil). The paste's robust printing characteristics result in consistent solder paste volume regardless of idle time, stencil life and print speed. It offers a clean cosmetic appearance in the reflowed solder joints with smooth solder and light-colored residues, closely resembling tin-lead joints. It is resistant to slump, has excellent brick definition and offers stable tack life.

EM918AP also provides superior wetting to a wide variety of lead-free metallizations, including OSP coated, immersion tin and immersion silver boards and Ag/Pd components. It is classified as Type ROL0 flux under the IPC ANSI/J-STD-004A Joint Industry Standard and is Bellcore GR-78-CORE-compliant.

For more information on Kester's full line of products and services including SE-CURE™ and InnovaBond™ products, contact Kester by phone at (+65) 6 449-1133, by fax at (+65) 6 242-9036, or by e-mail at [customerservice@kester.com.sg](mailto:customerservice@kester.com.sg). Kester's Web site may be found at [www.kester.com](http://www.kester.com).

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