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Press Release

Kester to Present Paper at International Conference on Soldering and Reliability

ITASCA, IL — March 27, 2007 — Kester announces that Peter Biocca, its senior market development engineer, will present a technical paper at the upcoming International Conference on Soldering and Reliability, scheduled to take place April 17-19, 2007, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The conference is sponsored by the Surface Mount Technology Association (SMTA) in cooperation with iNEMI and the SMTA Toronto Chapter. In addition to the conference, there will be a tabletop exhibition. Kester will exhibit its latest lead-free solutions and products, and will have experts available to answer all lead-free questions that companies may have about lead-free assembly.

Peter will make his presentation, a case study on the Validation of SAC305 and SnCu-based Lead-free SMT, Wave and Hand Soldering at the Contract Assembler Level, at 10:35 a.m. on Wednesday, April 18.

At this conference, soldering and reliability engineers and designers can hear experts share their knowledge and ideas for current industry issues, including lead-free electronics. In addition to the technical presentations and tabletop exhibition, there will be a keynote presentation and exhibitor showcase reception.

The SMTA Toronto Academy Program courses and the SMTA Certification Program, which provides recognition as an SMTA Certified Process Engineer, are also available at the conference.

For more information, visit www.smta.org or call (952) 920-7682. To register for the event, visit http://smta.org/education/registration/event_registration.cfm.

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