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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Practical Components will partner with IPC Validation services in presenting their services at the annual Apex Conference & Exhibition: March 15-17 in booth 2205.

Practical representatives will man the booth according to this schedule:

Tuesday March 15:

Kevin Laphen 12:00-2:00pm

Russell Kido 3:30-5:30pm

Wednesday March 16:

Matt Olson 10:00-12:00pm

IPC is known for our world-class standards and training programs for the electronics manufacturing industry—now we're taking it to the next level by certifying companies at the product and enterprise level. IPC Validation Services (VS) comprises two new supplier qualification programs: the Qualified Products List (QPL) and the Qualified Manufacturers List (QML).

Through these programs, IPC Validation Services has expanded the value, quality and risk mitigation that you already experience as you meet IPC standards and invest in operators and product design certification.

For OEMs, IPC Validation Services provides the opportunity to identify EMS providers and industry suppliers from a centralized network of trusted resources when evaluating existing and potential business partners.

For EMS providers and industry suppliers, IPC Validation Services provides the opportunity to become part of a network of trusted sources that industry will look to first and foremost when evaluating existing and potential business partners.

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About Practical Components

Practical Components is the world's leading supplier of dummy components and test boards, which are exact mechanical equivalents of live components, used when only the physical properties of the components or boards are required. These components and boards are ideal for testing of solder processes, machine setup, thermal, CPK, drop test and other process evaluations. Practical Components is headquartered in Los Alamitos, CA with distributors worldwide. For more information, visit www.practicalcomponents.com.

About IPC

IPC (www.IPC.org) is a global industry association based in Bannockburn, Ill., dedicated to the competitive excellence and financial success of its 3,300 member companies which represent all facets of the electronics industry, including design, printed board manufacturing, electronics assembly and test. As a member-driven organization and leading source for industry standards, training, market research and public policy advocacy, IPC supports programs to meet the needs of an estimated \$2.0 trillion global electronics industry. IPC maintains additional offices in Taos, N.M.; Washington, D.C.; Stockholm, Sweden; Moscow, Russia; Bangalore, India; Bangkok, Thailand; and Shanghai, Shenzhen, Chengdu, Suzhou and Beijing, China.