



Cohu Introduces Next Generation Wafer Turret Handler

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POWAY, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 14, 2015-- Cohu, Inc. (NASDAQ:COHU), a leading supplier of semiconductor test and inspection handlers, announced today the introduction of its next generation wafer turret platform, NY32W.

The new NY32W is a 32-position turret platform for semiconductors on film-frame wafer media, providing up to 5 times higher device handling accuracy compared to its predecessor. It integrates innovative hardware and software technologies such as Field Bus on Module that enables improved autonomous operation and stability. This new turret platform also integrates Cohu's new 3D Flex Vision system for 3-dimensional topographic inspection as well as micro-crack detection on bare silicon surfaces.

"We are excited to make the new NY32W platform available to our customers, and to enable the next generation of wafer processing solutions in the industry," said Ian von Fellenberg, VP and General Manager of Cohu's Ismeca business unit.

This platform is well suited for RF devices, small power management ICs, solid state lighting devices, such as LEDs, and many other ICs in Wafer Level Packages (WLPs). According to Yole Développement, WLPs today represent nearly 20% of all 300 mm wafer-equivalent units and are one of the fastest growing packaging technologies.

"We completed a successful qualification of this new platform at a large U.S.-based customer resulting in a multi-unit order, capitalizing on another cross-selling opportunity for our turret business unit. The initial handlers were shipped in Q2 and we received customer acceptance in the first week of our fiscal Q3," said Luis Müller, President and CEO of Cohu.

About Cohu:

Cohu is a leading supplier of semiconductor test and inspection handlers, micro-electro mechanical system (MEMS) test modules, test contactors and thermal sub-systems used by global semiconductor manufacturers and test subcontractors.

Forward-Looking Statements:

Certain matters discussed in this release, including statements concerning Cohu's NY32W product are forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected or forecasted. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, our ability to convert new products under development into production on a timely basis, support product development and meet customer delivery and acceptance requirements for next generation equipment, failure to obtain customer acceptance resulting in the inability to recognize revenue and accounts receivable collection problems, our reliance on patents and intellectual property, compliance with U.S. export regulations, and the cyclical and unpredictable nature of capital expenditures by semiconductor manufacturers. These and other risks and uncertainties are discussed more fully in Cohu's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the most recently filed Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. Cohu assumes no obligation to update the information in this release.



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