

CoorsTek Attains ISO/TS-16949:2002 Certification

*Corporate Quality Management System Receives
Significant Automotive Certification.*

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Golden, Colorado, April 19, 2005 – CoorsTek, Inc., a leading manufacturer of critical components and integrated assemblies for automotive, electronics, and other high-technology industries, today officially announced all four of its key automotive component manufacturing facilities have attained ISO/TS16949:2002 certification.

Certification of the CoorsTek Quality Management System in Golden (Clear Creek Valley and North Table Mountain) and Grand Junction, Colorado facilities means that all sites meet the requirements automobile manufacturers mandate in North America, Europe, and Asia. These three plants follow the lead of the company's Scotland, UK facility in their successful journey to TS16949:2002 certification last year. All of these facilities have maintained ISO-9002:1994 and QS9000 certifications for over a decade.

The ISO/TS16949:2002 certification will combine requirements for ISO-9001:2000 as well as automotive requirements in the United States and Europe that were previously separate. The new standard is widely used on a global basis for automotive quality systems. Its requirements include process improvement, customer satisfaction measurements, and employee motivation.

“We’re extremely pleased to announce this significant achievement. CoorsTek has always taken quality systems very seriously – TS-certification was simply the next

logical step to ensure our automotive customers received the highest quality ceramic components available,” stated Bill Christie, Corporate Director of Quality for CoorsTek.

“This certification is an important element of a larger operations innovation and continuous improvement system CoorsTek calls ‘OpX’ – short for Operational Excellence,” Christie continued. The CoorsTek OpXSM system combines a lean manufacturing culture and six sigma tools to improve quality, cost, and speed to market.

About CoorsTek

CoorsTek designs and manufactures components and integrated assemblies for automotive, semiconductor capital equipment, electronics, medical, chemical, telecommunications, and other industrial applications. Using technical ceramics, engineering plastics, and other specialty materials, the Company's solutions enable its customers' products to overcome technological barriers and improve performance. For more information on CoorsTek, please visit the Company's website at www.coorstek.com.

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