

## **CoorsTek Receives Highest Supplier Award from Wabash Technologies Two Years Consecutively**

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Grand Junction, Colorado, May 25, 2004 – CoorsTek, Inc., the largest technical ceramics manufacturer in North America and manufacturer of critical components and integrated assemblies for high-technology markets, today announced receiving the Gold Supplier Award from global automotive components supplier, Wabash Technologies.

The Gold Supplier Award is the highest achievable Wabash supplier award and is contingent upon 100% on-time delivery, zero ppm defect levels, and world-class technical and customer support. Wabash Technologies initiated the award program in 2000 to enhance their quality programs and recognize superior suppliers. Out of their 1207 regular suppliers, CoorsTek is one of only two suppliers to receive the Gold Award this year, and the only supplier ever to receive it in consecutive years.

“CoorsTek is the Chicago Bulls of Suppliers – in the Michael Jordan years,” stated Steve L. Miller, Vice President, Global Supply Chain Management for Wabash Technologies as he presented the award at their annual supplier conference in Mexicali, Mexico last week. “CoorsTek is a model organization for our other suppliers to emulate,” continued Miller. In addition to the praise, CoorsTek was chosen as their sole supplier for ceramic substrates and awarded with a four-year supply contract.

“We are proud to be recognized by Wabash as a valued business partner,” commented Rob Lucernoni, Director of Sales for CoorsTek. “This award further validates the investment CoorsTek has made in quality, organization, and manufacturing refinements,” he continued, speaking of the CoorsTek OpX<sup>SM</sup> program which combines six sigma, lean manufacturing, and other methodologies to optimize operations.

### **More about Wabash Technologies...**

Established in 1946, Wabash produces over 20 million sensors and five million fuel injection stators/actuators per year from facilities in Indiana, Michigan, Mexico, United Kingdom, and Slovakia. They supply to major automotive OEMs and industrial engine manufacturers. For more information, visit their website at [www.wabashtech.com](http://www.wabashtech.com).

### **More about CoorsTek...**

CoorsTek is the largest technical ceramics manufacturer in North America and has facilities in Europe and Asia. CoorsTek supplies critical components and complete assemblies for medical, automotive, semiconductor, aerospace, electronic, power generation, telecommunication, and other high-technology applications. Utilizing advanced material technologies, the company’s engineered solutions enable its customers’ products to overcome technological barriers and improve performance. For more information about CoorsTek, please visit the Company’s website at [www.coorstek.com](http://www.coorstek.com).

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