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## Counterfeit Parts Policy Implemented to Help Ensure Product Reliability & Continued Performance

Durham, Connecticut – November 2008 – Technical Manufacturing Corporation announced this month that it has developed and implemented a Counterfeit Parts Policy to eliminate the exposure of counterfeit electronic parts and components to the company and ultimately upstream to the customer or end user. The policy mandates the exclusive use of factory or authorized distributors for material procurement and a complete lot code control program to provide full two-way materials traceability at all times. Counterfeit parts can result in safety and performance issues which cannot be tolerated for high reliability electronics assemblies that are manufactured by the company for the aerospace, defense, medical and automotive industries where continued performance is required.

“Counterfeit electronic parts and components are a growing problem in the electronics industry, and it isn’t going away anytime soon”, said Mr. David Bonito, Sales and Marketing Manager for the company. “So far, we’ve been pretty fortunate in that we haven’t had any counterfeit parts issues to deal with but it would be irresponsible of us to not be proactive in this area before it does become a problem”, he says. He emphasized that “our customers in high-reliability industries probably couldn’t recover from a counterfeit parts exposure issue as the costs by every definition and on every level associated with a product recall would be enormous.” According to Mr. Bonito, companies that use electronic parts are most likely to become exposed to counterfeit parts when unauthorized procurement sources are used and also when part traceability back to the original equipment manufacturer is lost for whatever reason.

The Counterfeit Parts Policy is an element of the company’s ongoing Enterprise Excellence Initiative, which is a strategy of developing and implementing world-class policies and procedures in order to realize manufacturing excellence in every area of the company. The Enterprise Excellence Initiative began in 1997 and has resulted in the development and implementation of various policies and procedures at the company including the Counterfeit Parts Policy, all of which are all available on the company’s website at [www.techmfgcorp.com](http://www.techmfgcorp.com).

### About Technical Manufacturing Corporation

Technical Manufacturing Corporation is a Connecticut-based contract electronics manufacturing company that has been successfully providing electronics manufacturing services to small and Fortune 500 companies worldwide since 1985. We build a wide variety of products for our customers, which are used in many different commercial and military applications across all industries including the medical, computer, automotive, aerospace, test & measurement and telecommunications. For more information, please visit us on the internet at [www.techmfgcorp.com](http://www.techmfgcorp.com) or contact David Bonito, Sales & Marketing Manager by email at [dbonito@techmfgcorp.com](mailto:dbonito@techmfgcorp.com) or by phone toll-free at (888) TECH MFG.

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