

News Release

Quartz Pro has successfully completed ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 certification.

Stockholm 2002-01-25, Quartz Pro, a manufacturer of high-precision crystal oscillators, announces that the company's development and production facilities north of Stockholm Sweden has successfully upgraded the current quality management system, ISO 9001:1994, to support ISO 9001:2001 and has now also completed registration to ISO 14001.

Quartz Pro has implemented an integrated IT-based Quality and Environmental Management System supporting both ISO9001:2000 and ISO14001. The system was audited by a Swedish accredited institute, SEMKO-Dekra, during the fall of 2001.

Quartz Pro's quality improvement efforts do not stop at the ISO 9001 certificate. It is an ever ongoing process, where the company monitors a great number of quality indicators and continuously tries to attain even higher quality levels. These indicators, which have been identified during the internal quality process, are selected based on both customers' and legal requirements, and on Quartz Pro's own standards.

Quartz Pro also actively supports the ISO 14001 international environmental management standard. Guy Portnoff, President, indicated his satisfaction with employee efforts to complete the audit and certification process for the Stockholm facility. "Being a manufacturing operation, it is important to note the significant contributions we can make to Quartz Pro's commitment to the environment," he said. "It is our goal to develop and produce technology that have no undue environmental impact" he continues.

About ISO 9001:2000

On December 15, 2000 the new ISO 9001:2000 standard was released as ISO 9000:2000(E). The new ISO 9001:2000 standard series has been revised to bring about a series of improvements that include: improved compatibility with other management systems, in particular environmental management systems, ease of use in all areas and for all types of products, including services, ease of use for small companies, and adapting to a company's existing situation

About ISO 14000

ISO 14001 is an internationally accepted set of standards for environmental management, and represents a coordinated approach to pollution control, waste minimization and design implications for environmental impact. In order to be registered to this standard, companies must undergo intensive auditing of their environmental policies and procedures, and must clearly demonstrate methods in place for minimizing potential negative impact while optimizing processes that benefit the surrounding environment.

About Quartz Pro

Quartz Pro is a Swedish company providing advanced crystal oscillator solutions. The company was founded in 1986 and is located 20 km north of Stockholm. Quartz Pro has changed the conditions of the industry by developing a clean automated crystal production process. The unique and patented process is a result of experience, know-how and close cooperation with university researchers. It combines mass production with high product performance. The revolutionary technology supports Quartz Pro's objective to become a market leader in the field of high performance crystal oscillators.

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