



BACKGROUND

For over 30 years, Burton Industries, Inc. (www.burtonindustries.com) has provided customized manufacturing solutions to OEMs in the medical, industrial, motor control, specialized consumer, security, building controls, defense and professional tool markets. The Company specializes in low volume and high mix, medium volume projects and supports the full product lifecycle from product development through end market support services. Projects include both board-level and high level assembly (HLA) products. The Company is certified to ISO 9001. ISO 13485 registration is in progress and an audit is scheduled for December 2011.

Burton Industries is headquartered in Hazelhurst, WI and has a manufacturing facility in Ironwood, MI. A second facility in Ironwood is currently being fit up and scheduled to open in first quarter 2012.

The Company also founded and participates in the Worldclass Industrial Network (WIN) supplier alliance. The WIN Alliance grew out of the realization that a growing number of projects would be best served by a one-stop shop, capable of full service support beyond the services that any one of its members was able to provide alone. In the alliance's current EMS business model, Burton's materials and program management personnel manage the alliance partners so that customers have a one-stop shop. The major difference between a typical supply-chain relationship and the alliance is the fact that common processes for project launch and production management are in development among alliance partners, eliminating the learning curve that occurs with a larger, more independent pool of suppliers.

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