

## **REG-Advanced Power Significant Order**

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Significant Order for APC-Novacom

Advanced Power Components (AIM: APC), the UK specialist distributor and manufacturers' representative of electronic components, is pleased to announce that it has received a significant order from Amplifier Technology Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Wessex Technology Group Plc, for components designed into sophisticated electronic surveillance and counter measure subsystems, which provide protection for troops operating in conflicts around the world.

These subsystems have been developed using state of the art components supplied by APC and are the result of a close technical working relationship between the two companies that has developed over the past two years.

The Company anticipates that this will be the first of several contracts to be awarded as the technology is rolled out. Orders in the last six months for components used in this type of application have totalled more than \$1,000,000. This represents a significant growth in APC's RF and Microwave business secured through the acquisition of Novacom Microwave Limited in April 2008.

Commenting on the contract, Simon Taylor, Group Managing Director of Amplifier Technology, said:

"We are delighted with the support received from APC-Novacom. The technical support provided on these very advanced components has enabled us to produce a world leading range of power amplifiers, with levels of efficiency and power

previously unavailable. This is the start of a significant relationship and we look forward to developing the business into something even more significant for both companies."

Mark Robinson, Chief Executive Officer of APC, commented:

"This order underlines the value of the technical expertise APC has developed and our 'design in' approach. Amplifier Technology Ltd is a key customer and it is clear that they are working at the cutting edge of technology and therefore value the detailed product knowledge we are able to provide."

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About Advanced Power Components

APC plc is a leading specialist distributor of electronic components, comprising eight areas of activity:

\* APC Hi-Rel distributes a variety of specialist electronic components into applications where component reliability is of paramount importance. Hi-Rel's franchised product lines include power semiconductors, power supplies, memory, wound and high voltage components.

\* APC Locator is the number one solutions provider for obsolete and hard-to-find parts, with 25 years' experience in the industrial and defence/aerospace markets across Europe.

\* APC Hero has a specialist team of Product Managers ready to assist with your next design, our key areas include LEDS/LAMPS, drivers, wireless devices and

modules, Zigbee, specialist sensors and crystals (plus fast turn around on programming).

\* APC Go! provides a kitting and materials management service to companies wanting to outsource non core activities, offering services ranging from material procurement to full production management.

\* APC Displays+ provides dedicated technical and commercial support for a wide

range of LCD`s, standard, custom, TFT, e-signage, character, graphics, driver boards, IC`s, single board computers and all related connectivity.

\* APC Novacom is a distributor and manufacturers' representative for RF and microwave frequency electronic components. The business is managed by a team of

technical specialists with many years experience in the RF and Microwave industry.

\* APC Contech is a distributor of specialist data input devices for industrial,

broadcasting and medical sectors providing technically advanced solutions for specific application areas.

\* APC KVAR is a manufacturer and distributor of power saving equipment which optimises the performance of electrical motors, leading to reduced energy consumption and cost savings.

For further information please visit the following websites:

[www.apc-novacom.co.uk](http://www.apc-novacom.co.uk)

[www.wessextg.com](http://www.wessextg.com)

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