

Amtech Systems acquires majority ownership of SoLayTec

Tempress (a subsidiary of the Amtech Group) has acquired the SoLayTec shares previously owned by RENA GmbH as they will focus on its expertise in wet chemical processing equipment for the solar cell production. With Tempress as new shareholder SoLayTec will continue to extend its market share on current and next generation cell structures such as p-type PERC and n-type.

Huib Heezen, co-founder of SoLayTec and managing director commented: "We are proud that Tempress has acquired the shares of RENA GmbH, which is now under restructuring. This commitment of Tempress means we can now concentrate on growing our turnover in 2015 and further expanding our market penetration of our InPassion® ALD equipment in the solar market."

Roger Görtzen, co-founder of SoLayTec and manager marketing and sales commented: "In the past years we already co-developed with RENA GmbH and Tempress on the InPERC turnkey technology, which has been sold by RENA GmbH and SoLayTec to several Chinese customers. On the sales level there is an increased synergy in our joint customer offerings of PERC solutions."

"We will continue to work with RENA GmbH using their wet chemical process expertise and with Tempress for thermal processes. The combination of SoLayTec ALD equipment and Tempress direct PECVD SiN_x systems for PERC solutions is a major opportunity in the PV industry", comments Roger Görtzen.

SoLayTec

SoLayTec is a spin-off company of the Dutch research organisation TNO and established in 2010. The company develops, delivers and services machines for atomic layer deposition (ALD) on solar cells worldwide. The SoLayTec ALD machines are designed for mass production in the solar market. In the field of solar cell ALD equipment, SoLayTec has a leading position.

For more information, please visit www.solaytec.com.

Amtech Systems, Inc.

Amtech Systems, Inc. manufactures capital equipment, including silicon wafer handling automation, thermal processing and ion implant equipment and related consumables used in fabricating solar cells, LED and semiconductor devices. Semiconductors, or semiconductor chips, are fabricated on silicon wafer substrates, sliced from ingots, and are part of the circuitry, or electronic components, of many products including solar cells, computers, telecommunications devices, automotive products, consumer goods, and industrial automation and control systems. The Company's wafer handling, thermal processing and consumable products currently address the diffusion, oxidation, and deposition steps used in the fabrication of solar cells, LEDs, semiconductors, MEMS and the polishing of newly sliced silicon wafers.

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