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Lam Research Corporation Ships 100th Exelan™ Dielectric Etch Chamber To Samsung Electronics FREMONT, Calif., June 21, 2000-Lam Research Corporation (Nasdaq: LRCX) today announced shipping the 100th Exelan dielectric etch chamber to Samsung Electronics Company, Ltd., Korea. This milestone shipment validates Exelan's strong market acceptance worldwide.

Samsung is a long-standing partner with Lam and has a large installed base of etch systems. Exelan has been qualified for multiple dielectric etch applications, achieving the yield and productivity results required.

"This milestone substantiates Lam's success in Changing the Value Equation™, meaning we have effectively increased the performance-to-cost ratio with Exelan. Paired with the rapid market acceptance we are seeing, these indicators confirm we are right on target with Exelan's package of technical capabilities and cost advantages," added Stephen G. Newberry, Lam's president and COO.

Exelan is Lam's next-generation, dual frequency, dielectric etch system for processing advanced sub-0.18-micron devices. It delivers throughput exceeding 60 wph and the industry's lowest CoO. Exelan is used in volume production around the world for a broad range of applications, including copper damascene, spacer, contact, via, and in situ hard mask open steps. The system is also involved in a number of advanced process development projects involving critical contact and low-k at 0.15-micron geometries and beyond. Exelan provides superior reliability and system availability. Scheduled service and costs are the best among comparable systems.

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