February 18, 2020

Re: Current Production Capacity

Dear Valued BBG Customer,

We are sending this letter to provide you with additional information regarding the impact on current orders caused by the COVID-19 coronavirus and extended Chinese New Year shutdown.

Certain factories in China were able to reopen in a limited capacity on February 10th. Staffing remains an issue as quite a few workers have not yet been able to return to the factories from their homes. Once they return, many will be faced with a mandatory 14-day quarantine to prevent the spread of infection. The lack of a full workforce, paired with the longer shutdown, will cause lead times to increase.

There are additional regions that still have not been permitted to reopen. Considerations include the need for government approval to return to work and the labor shortages. We anticipate production resuming in the next couple of weeks. Unfortunately, there is not a precise date as to when production will be back to full efficiency yet. We are monitoring the situation and will provide more concrete information when available.

Taiwan factories remain open and fully staffed; however, the diminished China production has greatly increased product demand out of Taiwan. This additional volume is impacting lead times and we will need to quote longer deliveries in some cases. Raw material availability is another contributing factor to extended lead times.

The current situation influences the supply chain on a global level. Our team is working diligently to remain proactive and mitigate the impacts to our customers wherever we can. We encourage you to place orders for any visible demand as soon as possible.

Our team is standing by to work with you and answer any questions. We appreciate your patience during this time.

Thank you for your business.

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