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IXYS Introduces New 2200V Rectifier Diode For Photovoltaic Systems (Solar Panels) For Renewable Energy

Biel, Switzerland. March 5, 2009 – IXYS Corporation (NASDAQ: IXYS), an international leader in power semiconductors and ICs for Power Conversion, announced today a new high voltage diode called DNA30E2200PA. This 2200V specialized rectifier in a TO-220 housing is designed as a decoupling diode for Photovoltaic systems in the Renewable energy applications, where Solar Panels are deployed to provide power into the electrical grid.

The new DNA diode, represent a new “DNA” family of products, within the long, proven tradition of the high voltage high performance product from of IXYS. Excellent electrical characteristics, ruggedness and reliability are the key features of this high performance part. It is designed and optimized to fulfil all industrial standards. Furthermore, it covers the enhanced requirements for photovoltaic systems (IEC 62548). This new standard includes an increase of the system voltage that leads to the higher voltage requirements for the specialized power semiconductors in these applications.

“The DNA family demonstrates IXYS’ focus on developing products for the growing needs of Application Specific Standard Products (“ASSP”) in the renewable energy sector. Although these products were developed for the solar PV sector, it finds numerous applications in other high efficiency energy conversion applications,” stated Dr. Nathan Zommer CEO of IXYS Corporation. “Due to the high quality requirements for such products for these markets, we designed and produce them in our own European based plant to insure quality inside out!”

The DNA diode family is a new generation of high voltage rectifiers providing high efficiency and high power density at a lower cost.

For more detailed information, data sheets etc. visit our website under www.ixys.com or contact your local sales representative.

About IXYS Corporation

IXYS Corporation makes and markets technology-driven products to improve power conversion efficiency, generate solar and wind power and provide efficient motor control for industrial applications. IXYS offers a diversified product base that addresses worldwide needs for power control, electrical efficiency, renewable energy, telecommunications, medical devices, electronic displays and RF power.

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