



Quality Assurance Department
IXYS Corporation, Milpitas, CA USA

December 18, 2017

Ref: KOBE Steel Ltd. Japan, Improper Conduct Scandal

Dear Valued IXYS Distributor/Customer,

This letter is In reference to the recent revelation that KOBE Steel Ltd, Japan admitted to improper conduct (falsifying material certifications) for various products such as copper, aluminum and other specialty metals/materials. This incident came to light at KOBE Steel Ltd., following their self-inspection and emergency quality audits for material products shipped from their facilities over the past year (September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2017).

We investigated the possible use of KOBE material with our assembly subcontractors. Because of the difficulty of determining the exact sources of materials, IXYS independently tested our material metal supply that was in question and found that all material used in production met the requirements for IXYS production.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gordon Rosete".

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