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NEWS RELEASE

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Tosoh Establishes a Thin Film Sputtering Target Manufacturing Subsidiary in Shanghai, China

Tokyo, Japan—Tosoh Corporation is pleased to announce that Tosoh Group company Tosoh SMD, Inc., has established a thin film sputtering target manufacturing subsidiary in Shanghai, China. Tosoh SMD Shanghai Co., Ltd. was established to expand Tosoh SMD, Inc.'s global capacity and to better serve its semiconductor, flat-panel display, solar, and large area coating customers in China. Additionally, the new subsidiary will be a key component in Tosoh SMD, Inc.'s raw materials sourcing strategy and will strengthen its sales support to its Chinese customers.

Marty Blazic, Tosoh SMD, Inc.'s president and COO, states: "Tosoh SMD, Inc., has been successfully serving the China market for over 20 years, and we forecast continued strong growth in the demand for our leading-edge sputtering target materials within the region. Through the establishment of Tosoh SMD Shanghai Co., Ltd., we are ensuring that our customers will be able to obtain thin film deposition materials and support from a localized supplier, but one with the backing of Tosoh, a recognized industry leader with a 35-year history of innovation and quality systems. This is yet another example of Tosoh's drive to achieve growth in global markets and of its continued goal to support China's emergence as a pivotal country for value-added manufacturing and end-product demand."

TOSOH SMD, INC.

Tosoh SMD, Inc., The Global Leader in Target Technology™, is headquartered in Grove City, Ohio, and is a leading provider of thin film deposition materials and of solutions to manufacturers in the semiconductor, display, solar, and large area coating markets.

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WHO WE ARE

Tosoh Corporation is a Japanese chemical company established in 1935 and listed on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. It is the parent of the Tosoh Group, which comprises 133 companies worldwide and a multiethnic workforce of over 11,000 people and generated net sales of ¥684.4 billion (US\$8.2 billion at the year-end rate of ¥83.15 to the US dollar) in fiscal 2011, ended March 31, 2011.

WHAT WE DO

Tosoh is one of the largest chlor-alkali manufacturers in Asia. The company supplies the plastic resins and an array of the basic chemicals that support modern life. Tosoh's petrochemical operations supply ethylene, polymers, and polyethylene, while its electronic materials business serves the global semiconductor and flat-panel display industries. Tosoh has also pioneered sophisticated bioscience systems that are used for the rapid diagnosis of life-threatening diseases, such as diabetes and certain cancers, and to prevent epidemics by identifying pathogenic microbes. In addition, Tosoh develops products and provides services to purify water and to monitor the environment as part of a commitment to a sustainable future.

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