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iPrecision Timing Solutions™

Temex Time Delivers Industry's First \$900 Rubidium Oscillator

Low-Cost Rubidium to Win New Market Applications

Austin, Texas, February 15, 2005 – Temex Time, a Business Unit of Temex and a leading global supplier of low-cost Rubidium and high-precision timing solutions, today announced a new Ultra Low-Cost Rubidium oscillator, the LCR-900, that creates an affordable solution for mid-end positioning, test and communications applications where the price-performance ratio is an essential market decision-making factor.

The average industry price for a Rubidium product is in the \$1,500 range. Temex Time has slashed that price by more than 30 percent with the introduction of its LCR-900 Rubidium oscillator in the \$900 range. Until now, no vendor such as Symmetricom, Frequency Electronics, and Stanford Research Systems has offered a low-cost Rubidium product for low- to mid-end performance applications, much less a reasonably priced alternative to the high-end crystal oscillator market. Now, the price difference between a high-performance double-oven crystal oscillator and a much higher performance Rubidium solution is a ratio of less than 3 rather than 5.

Rubidium solutions are used in a variety of telecommunications, defence, navigation, broadcasting, scientific and space applications where precision, accuracy, and stability are critical factors. Rubidium clocks are used to maintain timing stability in case of loss of GPS or other network references. They also are used in test, measurement and positioning systems where precision and accuracy are paramount. Rubidium atomic standards are accurate to within 1 second in 100,000 years, where the best crystal oscillators are accurate to 1 second in a few thousands years.

“This is the first low-cost Rubidium oscillator that offers a true value-added alternative for many applications that need the best price-performance ratio,” said Nino De Falcis, VP Marketing of Temex Time in Austin, Texas. “Our new LCR-900 Rubidium product at <http://www.temex.com/lcr-900> provides an affordable means to upgrade the performance of a double-oven crystal-based system or to lower the performance of a not-needed, high-end Rubidium timing system.”

About Temex

Temex Time, a Business Unit of Temex, is a leading designer and manufacturer of a full range of advanced, low-cost rubidium and crystal oscillators, smart GPS and multi-reference synchronized clocks, and high-precision test sets solutions. Its products are used in a wide variety of high-performance applications including telecommunications, defence, navigation, instrumentation, broadcasting, and space. For more information about Temex Time, visit our website at www.temex.com.

Temex is a leading-edge provider of high-performance, high-quality Ceramic Components, SAW devices, Timekeeping, Synchronization and Frequency control components and sub-systems. Temex's product offerings include state-of-the-art filters, sensors, ceramics capacitors, oscillators and synchronization clocks for various standards. Temex is a growing provider of choice to major manufacturers. Temex is headquartered on the French Riviera in the technology science park of Sophia Antipolis, France with additional offices in Europe, USA and Asia. Temex's customers include Nokia, Ericsson, Motorola, Thales, Alcatel, Nortel, Lucent Technologies, Samsung, EADS, Huawei and ZTE. For more information, visit our website at www.temex.com

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