

Indy Disty Assn. Raises Member Standards

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BUENA PARK, CA -- A leading trade group of electronics component distributors has issued a set of more stringent standards to ensure the integrity of semiconductors and other key electronics components.

The **Independent Distributors of Electronics Association**, in its new membership criteria, mandates that electronics distributors be ISO 9001 certified by an accredited registrar, be certified to ANSI ESD S20.20, and have at least one IDEA-ICE-3000-certified component inspector at each of its distribution facilities worldwide.

"We strongly endorse the raising of membership standards by the IDEA," says Converge CEO Frank Cavallaro. "As an industry, we owe it to our customers to uphold the strictest levels of quality throughout the supply chain. The threat of counterfeit and substandard parts can only be defeated with comprehensive, end-to-end discipline among suppliers."