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PARLEX announces capacity expansion and upgrades manufacturing capabilities in its Qingpu, Shanghai facilities

Methuen, MA- September 16, 2008- Parlex Corporation, a world leader in the manufacture of flexible printed circuits and a wholly owned subsidiary of Johnson Electric Co., announces the expansion of its Qingpu, Shanghai facility. These new facility upgrades will allow Parlex to double its smartcard module capacity .

New capabilities for the Qingpu facility also include new equipment for manufacturing of high density lead frames and RFID antennas as well as a wide variety of lead frame surface finishing treatments including gold, nickel and palladium. Parlex is now also offering Anti Tamper Ink to assist customers in complying with PCI-PED v2.0 for increased security of Point of Sales Terminals.

“We have augmented our ability to manufacture a much wider selection of products for electronic identification,” said Pascal Delloue, Global Vice President for Business Development. “Our new expansion of Flip-chip assembly services for lead frames and RFID antennas will allow Parlex to better service its customers from design through IC assembly.

About Parlex

Parlex offers world-class design, prototyping, contract manufacturing and value added assembly for flexible printed circuits and flat flexible cables. Many Fortune 500 companies trust Parlex to help develop and manufacture their most demanding new products. We are strategically located in North America, Asia and Europe to meet the growing needs of your next design challenge.

Parlex is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Johnson Electric group of companies. Johnson Electric is one of the world's largest providers of motion related products to a wide range of industrial, technology and consumer markets. The group employs approximately 45,000 people, including subcontract workers, in more than 20 countries worldwide.