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**Universal Electronics Announces Additional SMT Manufacturing**

*New printed circuit board manufacturing equipment dramatically increases production capacity in 2018*

**Whitewater, WIS. – January 4, 2018** – Universal Electronics, Inc. (UEI) has increased its RoHS compliant printed circuit board and higher-level assembly electronics manufacturing capabilities with the addition of new capital equipment for its manufacturing facilities in Whitewater and East Troy, WI.

UEI has invested in two (2) additional SMT lines for the Whitewater, WI plant. This will be UEI's 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> SMT lines at this plant and will greatly increase capacity to better serve existing clients while also preparing for future growth. This investment involves high-speed automated SMT and test equipment including DEK wide body printers, Universal Instruments Genesis SMT chip shooters, and Yestech Automated Optical Inspection (AOI) systems.



UEI has invested heavily in new software tools and manufacturing equipment over the last 12 months. “With these 2 new SMT lines we have added significant incremental manufacturing capacity putting us in great position to meet the time-sensitive delivery demands of our OEM partners in 2018,” says Rick Jensen, President and Owner.

Over the past year UEI has also added over 50 trained employees and now has a team of over 330 in WI. This latest expansion has occurred in NPI-Plus, PCBA's, and at the newly enhanced Box Build 'Center of Excellence' in East Troy. With this new equipment, increased labor, and additional production shifts, UEI has dramatically increased capability and capacity.

**About UEI**

UEI offers quick-turn PCBAs within NPI-Plus, and low to mid volume manufacturing services customized to clients across the US. UEI serves multiple industries including Medical, Industrial, Lighting, Security, and Communications. Founded in 1980, UEI has two certified facilities in the upper Midwest. The Whitewater, WI facility is ISO9001:2015, ISO13485:2003, FDA, and ITAR registered. The East Troy, WI, facility is ISO9001:2015 and ITAR approved. UEI offers flexible engagement models and fast, cost-effective time to market strategies. Additional information about UEI and NPI-Plus and its services may be found at [www.ueinc.com](http://www.ueinc.com) and [www.npi-plus.com](http://www.npi-plus.com).

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