Counterfeit Part Mitigation Statement

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This statement outlines the current position of Universal Switching Corporation regarding the prevention of counterfeit parts in our supply base and subsequent assembly processes in response to regulatory and industry directives. The Company takes great pride in offering consistent and highly reliable products. In doing so, we have implemented a counterfeit part mitigation plan to minimize the risk of counterfeit parts in the supply chain. Further, Universal Switching Corporation is committed to refining and improving our existing ISO 90001:2008 Quality Management System (QMS) processes to effectively address the problem of counterfeit parts in the supply chain.

Our counterfeit part mitigation plan is part of our QMS (#QA2-0002) and includes:

- *Sourcing components from manufacturers directly, or through franchised authorized distributors only.*
- *Vendors are approved per the ISO 9001:2008 Purchasing standard (Section 7.4)*
- *Verification of purchased product per ISO 9001:2008 Section 7.4.3*
- *Incoming inspection for signs of counterfeit parts per AS5553 guidelines.*

Our procedures are aligned with the requirements of SAE AS5553 – Counterfeit Electronic Parts; Avoidance, Detection, Mitigation, and Disposition. To mitigate the increasingly sophisticated counterfeiting activity in the supply of electronic parts, our QMS policies, procedures, and processes are aligned with these industry standards. In addition, risks to programs and products are minimized through the implementation and adherence to a single company QMS, based upon the aforementioned standards. Please feel free to contact us directly with any additional questions or concerns.

Best Regards,
Universal Switching Corporation

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