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GOLDEN, Colo. -- In a move to expand its product portfolio, CoorsTek Inc. here today announced plans that it will develop lasered ceramic substrates in its subsidiary in Korea.

The company will bring these products into the production within CoorsTek Korea, based in Kyungbook, South Korea. These types of ceramic substrates are used in the production of electronic circuits for the telecommunications and automotive markets, said John Coors, chairman, president, and chief executive of CoorTek.

"This subsidiary currently provides ceramic components for semiconductor processing equipment, power generation machinery, and other heavy industry applications," Coors said. "Now, with our expansion into lasered substrates, we are further diversifying our customer base to include leading electronics manufacturers."

CoorsTek Korea is installing state-of-the-art laser equipment in the plant. CoorsTek Korea is expected to begin production of the lasered substrates during the first quarter of 2001.