



ECS Product Alert

WARNING

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Dear Business Partner,

The Electronics Industry has been aware of counterfeit components for years but this problem has increased in recent months for ECS and our competitors. Counterfeiters have become more sophisticated as they offer parts that appear to be legitimate with credible looking labels and body marking. These products are sold through unauthorized sources and many customers have discovered this before the product was purchased while others only discovered this after a quality problem brought this issue to light. Below is an example of counterfeit product with a reel label and product which has been sanded and remarked as ECS. Although this label and body marking appears legitimate it does not have our format and was offered through an unauthorized agent.



Photo 1) Label of counterfeit product. Not ECS format.



Photo 2) Counterfeit product that has been sanded and re-labeled.

In order to assure that you are purchasing genuine ECS product orders should be placed with an authorized ECS distributor which are listed on our website <http://www.ecsxtal.com/store/t-RepDist.aspx>

Due to this problem ECS will no longer publish marking guides for our products on our website. If you have questions about verifying part marking contact ECS Engineering Department engineering@ecsxtal.com

Respectfully,

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