



## Press Release

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### **Aegis Semiconductor Receives ISO 9001:2000 Certification**

**Woburn, MA — May 9, 2006** — Aegis Semiconductor, a leader in cost-effective optical channel monitors for fiber-optic communication networks, announced today that it has received the ISO 9001:2000 certification from TÜV America, a registered ISO certification body. The scope of the certification, which covers all areas of the Aegis quality-management system, includes the design, manufacture and sale of optical components and modules.

The ISO 9001 certification verifies that Aegis Semiconductor's quality management system meets the ISO 9001:2000 standard, emphasizing a commitment to customer satisfaction and to the measurement and continual improvement of business processes and quality systems.

"We were relentless in implementing a culture that values quality since the early days of Aegis, and our quality-management system continues to serve as a cornerstone allowing us to achieve our business objectives" said Gary Ainsworth, Vice-President of Operations and Quality, Aegis Semiconductor. "Our systematic customer focus and commitment to continuous improvement has allowed Aegis to emerge as a reliable and respected high-volume supplier in the fiber-optic communications marketplace."

The ISO 9001 certification covers Aegis' facility in Woburn, Massachusetts, including the manufacturing functions of wafer fabrication, assembly and test, as well as design, sales and marketing activities. It complements the ISO 9001 certifications held by Aegis' strategic suppliers and contract manufacturers.

#### **About Aegis® Semiconductor**

Aegis Semiconductor is a privately held company that builds cost-effective solutions for intelligent optical networks. Based on its Active Thin Films™ technology, Aegis is the first company to deliver low-cost wavelength-monitoring components and modules that are easily manufactured using proven methods from the semiconductor industry. Aegis has raised more than \$30 Million in funding from leading investors and venture capitalists including Vesbridge Partners, Alta Partners, Technology Venture Partners and Megunticook Management. The company is located in Woburn, Massachusetts, USA. More information can be viewed at [www.aegis-semi.com](http://www.aegis-semi.com).

#### **About TÜV America Inc.**

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