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## **DECLARATION STATEMENT FOR TIN-BASED PLATING FOR LEAD-FREE PRODUCTS**

### **Xmultiple Connectors and Tin-Based Plating**

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**Los Angeles, CA.** – January 5, 2015 – Xmultiple Technologies, Inc. released a declaration statement regarding Tin-Based Plating used on lead-free connectors and components.

In compliance with the European Directives WEEE/RoHS to eliminate Lead in the electronics industry we have released this statement for customers to understand our compliance. **Xmultiple connectors and components all comply with RoHS standards and this statement is only to clarify the Tin-Based Plating used in our products.**

Xmultiple manufactures connectors and components with plating with tin or tin alloys on the product to improve the performance for applying these products to printed circuit boards (PCB). PCB solderable termination (leadframes or pins) is enhanced by using Tin-Based plating and customers require this for their assembly of our products to their PCB. Xmultiple's use of tin alloys on the solderable termination is based on the material's excellent properties of solderability and resistance to corrosion.

Tin-Based plating and tin alloys are common with plating houses which provide these products to the marketplace. Xmultiple has analyzed the research and studies which show the propensity of these alloys to development of Tin Whiskers. Xmultiple offers higher gold plating on our connectors as an option to those customers who want to reduce and eliminate the propensity of tin to grow tin whiskers. Xmultiple and industry test show that by increasing the gold plating on the contacts in areas other than the portion soldered to the PCB will help in reducing the tin whisker growth. Xmultiple monitoring the progress of the task force created by the National Electronics Manufacturing Initiative (NEMI) regarding tin whiskers and if any change is made by this group we will move quickly to comply.

In addition to increasing the gold content on for the contact plating, Xmultiple has also taking preventive measure to reduce the possibility of tin whisker growth with the following steps:

- Xmultiple uses a matte Tin finish with a plating thickness of 300 to 500 μ inches.
- Xmultiple uses a Nickel under-plate with a plating thickness of 50 to 100 μ inches.

Note: Xmultiple can provide our products in Lead-free configurations and we ask that you check with your assembly house or contact manufacture before ordering parts with no Tin-Based Plating. If you have questions on product availability, and, pricing information, please contact your local Xmultiple distributor or sales representative or call your Xmultiple sales account manager.

### **About the Xmultiple Technologies, Inc.**

Xmultiple manufactures precision interface connectors and components. Xmultiple Technologies was formed specifically to develop interconnection solution products. Xmultiple has become a "Leading Source for Connector Innovation".

The connector product lines include RJ connectors, SATA/eSATA, SIM card connector, SD card connector, USB connector, HDMI connector, Headers, Ribbon connectors, RF connectors/convertors, Combo connectors, DC Power, AC Socket and RJ magnetic connectors with integrated components. Xmultiple's X-SMART connector series of products include combo connectors with RJ/MicroSD, USB/MicroSD, HDMI/MicroSD, eSata/MicroSD and more all used in Smartphones, Tablet computers, desktop, laptop, notebook, telecommunications equipment, networking equipment, video equipment, audio equipment, and many emerging mobile devices. Connectors are an important electronic component for a mobile phone, and their quality is directly related to the quality and reliability of the mobile phone. Connectors are widely applied in industries including automobile, computer, telecommunication, manufacture, consumer electronics, aviation and military industries. Xmultiple is a global manufacturer of connectivity products supporting all applications and requirements for all these industries. Xmultiple is headquartered in the United States with multiple manufacturing factories throughout Asia. Xmultiple ([www.xmultiple.com](http://www.xmultiple.com)) and its divisions design, manufacture, and sale of products used our connectors and components for use in high-speed data transmission, commercial aerospace, military, transportation, and consumer electronics devices. Xmultiple operates facilities around the world.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

*The information and any matters discussed in this press release (including the statements regarding the impact of the acquisition on earnings and on the Company's business and regarding growth opportunities) are forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from such statements are: the market concerns facing our customers; the continuing viability of sectors that rely on our products; the effects of business and economic conditions; capacity and supply constraints or difficulties; product development, commercializing or technological difficulties; the regulatory and trade environment; risks associated with foreign*

*currencies; uncertainties associated with legal proceedings; the market's acceptance of the Company's new products and competitive responses to those new products; the Company's ability to integrate newly acquired businesses; and the risk factors detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports. In light of the risks and uncertainties, there can be no assurance that any forward-looking statement will in fact prove to be correct. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements.*

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