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**For the attention of the
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:**

Dear Customer

Thermco\SVG HTR Furnace Product Line

Tetreon acquired the HTR product line from Aviza on November 1, 2004. Since that date parts support within the US has been provided by Aviza under a transitional agreement. We are pleased to advise that we have now appointed John Ryburn Services, Inc (JRS) as our official distributor in the US.

With effect from April 11th, 2005 JRS will be taking over parts and service support for the US. JRS has been established for 18 years and throughout that period has specialised in this product. We are confident that this move will lead to a more dedicated and focussed level of support.

Contact details for JRS are as follows:

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Yours faithfully

**Gerry Thurgood
Managing Director**

Tetreon Technologies acquires Thermco Horizontal Furnaces (HTR) from Aviza Technology

(Washington, West Sussex, England – 8th November 2004):

TETREON TECHNOLOGIES is pleased to announce that it has acquired the manufacturing rights, intellectual property and inventory for the 'Thermco' Horizontal Furnace (HTR) product line from AVIZA TECHNOLOGY in Scotts Valley California. The purchase, which was finalised in Scotts Valley on 1st November 2004, gives Tetreon full rights to manufacture and support the Horizontal furnace products that were originally marketed under the 'Thermco' name and later produced by Silicon Valley Group and ASML. Gerry Thurgood, President and Managing Director of Tetreon Technologies commented, "This acquisition gives Tetreon a product that is respected as the leader in its class throughout the world and has an estimated installed base of over 8,000 processing tubes. It is my goal to improve the service and response to those customers and offer significant improvements to the tools through upgrades as well as manufacture new tools for emerging markets". This is the first acquisition for Tetreon in the expanding "Legacy Tool" sector of the semiconductor manufacturing equipment market place.

"We are very pleased with the acquisition of the HTR product line by Tetreon Technologies," said Patrick O'Connor Aviza Technology's executive vice president and chief financial officer. "Aviza's management team had elected to not pursue the HTR as part of the company's long-term strategy. This acquisition ensures that customers worldwide will have continued access to quality service and product support for this line of products. Tetreon Technologies is well qualified to continue manufacturing HTR products and servicing the installed base. Part of Tetreon's technology staff were once part of the Thermco HTR business unit giving them significant first hand knowledgeable of the system."

About Tetreon Technologies Ltd.

Tetreon is a privately held company established in November 2003 by Gerry Thurgood, former President and Managing Director of Tokyo Electron Europe. Tetreon's mission is to address the semiconductor equipment market place and offer a new effective support model that reflects the changing nature of the semiconductor industry. A key aspect of Tetreon's business is to serve the Legacy Tool market place. Gerry Thurgood was previously Managing Director of Thermco Systems and SVG UK Ltd.
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About Aviza Technology, Inc.

Aviza Technology, a privately held company, is a leading supplier of thermal processing, low-pressure chemical vapor deposition and atomic layer deposition solutions to the global semiconductor industry. The company maintains a worldwide installed base of more than 2,500 tools. Aviza Technology's headquarters, manufacturing and R&D facilities are located in Scotts Valley, Calif. Additional sales and customer support facilities are located in Germany, France, Scotland, Taiwan, China, Japan, Singapore and Malaysia. Aviza Technology employs over 500 people worldwide. Additional information can be found at www.avizatechnology.com.

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