

Chartered Honors Dainippon Screen's Semiconductor Equipment Company with its Gold Supplier Award

On March 13, 2008, the Semiconductor Equipment Company (President: Eiji Kakiuchi) of Dainippon Screen Mfg. Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Kyoto, Japan) received the Gold Supplier Award in the Equipment and Subcontractor Category from Chartered Semiconductor Manufacturing Ltd. (Headquarters: Singapore; President and CEO: Chia Song Hwee), one of the world's leading semiconductor foundries*.

In recent years, due to the emergence of giant markets such as China and India, sales of digital consumer electronics have grown steadily across Asia. This growth has also extended to the semiconductor industry, where in addition to items such as personal computers and cellular phones, there has been a marked increase in the production of semiconductor devices used in consumer products such as flat-screen televisions and portable media players. Due to this increased demand, the scale of production in Singapore, a major global manufacturing center, has consistently increased in recent years. Screen has worked hard to strengthen both its sales and service systems in the region, and is now able to meet even the highest level of demands.

Chartered honors its top suppliers each year with a series of awards during its annual Supplier Day event. Chartered reviews its suppliers and bestows these awards on the basis of the level of partnership between Chartered and the supplier, as well as the quality, service, innovative solutions, delivery and cost provided by the supplier. The awards are divided into three categories, namely Equipment and Subcontractors, Materials, and Services. This year, ten companies were honored for their contributions to Chartered's business. Screen, which produces semiconductor manufacturing equipment used by Chartered, was considered a top contributor, receiving the Gold Supplier Award in the Equipment and Subcontractors Category.

Dainippon Screen views this award as an opportunity to further improve both the competitiveness of its products and its service structure, as well as to increase its market share in the Singapore region, which occupies such a crucial position in the semiconductor manufacturing business.

* Foundry (contracted manufacturing)

An enterprise that receives design data from semiconductor manufacturers that do not have their own production facilities and enters into contracts to manufacture semiconductor chips for these companies.



Receiving the award

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