



Lead-Free Electronics Workshop

NEMI Lead-Free Project and APEX 2002 Briefing

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Lead-Free Electronics Workshop

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Sponsored by:
The Massachusetts Toxics Use Reduction Institute
University of Massachusetts Lowell and
The Massachusetts Lead-Free Research Consortium
Boston Chapter SMTA

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Agenda

- Coffee and Networking
- **Welcome** – Bruce Boardman, Director of Manufacturing, Schneider Electric
- **Introduction** – Liz Harriman, MA TURI
- **NEMI Lead-Free Status Report** – John Sohn, PhD, NEMI Lead-Free Reliability Team Leader
- Break
- **APEX 2002 Briefing and Perspective** – George Wilkish, Tyco Electronics/M/A-COM
- **Brief Status Reports and Announcements**
- Wrap Up
- **Facility Tour of Schneider Electric**

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Lead-Free Electronics?

- **Why?** **Global Drivers, Life Cycle Approach, PBT's**
 - European WEEE and RoHS pending legislation
 - Japanese corporate goals and marketing
 - Close product and materials loop, make reprocessing and any necessary disposal safer
 - Eliminate use of PBT's where possible
- **What?** **R&D on alternative solders and finishes**
 - Local: MA Lead-Free Electronics Research Consortium
 - National: NEMI, IPC, EPA
- **How?** **Supply Chain Collaboration**
 - IPC, APEX, NEMI, SMTA, etc.
 - MA Lead-Free Supply Chain Workshops

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Brief Status Reports and Announcements

- Massachusetts Lead-Free Electronics Research Consortium
 - UMass Lowell, BTU International, M/A-COM/Tyco, Raytheon, Texas Instruments, Schneider Electric, Sanmina, MultiCore Solder
 - Previous reports available: www.turi.org
- EPA Toxics Release Inventory and MA Toxics Use Reduction Act
 - **100 lb. Lead Compounds Reporting Threshold**
 - Upcoming reporting workshops

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Future Activities and Resources

- Future Workshop Topics
 - Tin Whiskers
 - EPA/IPC Alternative Solder Life Cycle Assessment
- Wire and Cable Coating
 - Materials Issues apply to plastics as well
- Resources
 - IPC Lead-Free Listserve – www.leadfree.org
 - Jennie Hwang Book “Environment Friendly Electronics: Lead-Free Technology” available for loan from TURI
 - TURI web site and Library

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