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VAT GROUP AG RECEIVES LAM RESEARCH'S 2019 SUPPLIER EXCELLENCE AWARD

VAT Group AG announced today that it has been recognized by Lam Research (Nasdaq: LRCX) as a recipient of a 2019 Supplier Excellence Award. VAT Group AG was one of six companies selected from Lam's extensive group of preferred global suppliers for outstanding service, superior performance, and commitment to quality.

"It's a great honor for VAT to be recognized with such a prestigious award," said VAT CEO Mike Allison. "It reflects our strategic focus on working closely together with our customers to develop leading-edge products for the semiconductor industry. This is one of VAT's key competitive advantages and a driver of our technology and market leadership. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in VAT's worldwide team who work hard every day across the whole business to make Lam and all our other customers more successful."

Lam Research presented the Supplier Excellence Awards on September 10 at the company's 2019 Supplier Day. The event is an opportunity for Lam and its top suppliers to strengthen collaborative partnerships and discuss opportunities that drive progress in the supply chain.

"Our top suppliers play a key role in ensuring that we deliver best-in-class products and services," said Tim Archer, president and chief executive of Lam Research. "Our partnership with VAT Group AG is critical to delivering exceptional results to our customers and we welcome the opportunity to honor their achievements with a 2019 Supplier Excellence Award."

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ABOUT VAT

VAT is the leading global developer, manufacturer and supplier of high-end vacuum valves. VAT vacuum valves are mission-critical components for advanced manufacturing processes of innovative products used in daily life such as portable devices, flat screen monitors or solar panels. VAT is organized into three different reporting segments: Valves, Global Service and Industry offering high-end vacuum valves, multi-valve modules, edge-welded bellows and related value-added services for an array of vacuum applications. VAT Group is a global player with over 1'700 employees and main manufacturing sites in Haag (Switzerland), Penang (Malaysia) and Arad (Romania). Net sales in the financial year 2018 amounted to CHF 698 million.