



NOTE chooses Mydata – again

Mydata Automation is in the process of delivering NOTE's fifth new surface mount line in the last year. The investment is part of NOTE's strategic expansion plans, and represents part of a multiyear cooperative agreement. The line is being delivered to NOTE Nyköping-Skänninge, which is the newest member of the NOTE family. The line features many new product innovations, such as automatic vision programming for components and the latest version of the Agilis LM component feed system, which can now accommodate 12 and 16mm-wide component types.

NOTE is one of Mydata's key customers, and the NOTE plants in Lund, Torsby and Skänninge use Mydata surface mount lines exclusively. The surface mount machines from Mydata are also important components at NOTE Labs, which are found at all of the Group's plants.

"One of the advantages of using a single brand for surface mounting is that it gives us great flexibility in terms of adapting our production to demand. For example, during peak periods we can easily shift production from one plant to another. In this way we can be precisely as fast and flexible as our customers require us to be," says NOTE Production Manager Peter Jansson. "We have arrived at an excellent total solution that also includes ongoing training," says Peter.

The agreement between NOTE and Mydata runs for a multiyear term, and involves cooperation in terms of both technology development and deliveries. "Our surface mount lines are an extremely good fit for NOTE Lab, and for shorter product series that demand fast setup times. The NOTE Group is in an expansion phase, and we think it's great to be able to be a part of that expansion," says Thomas Lindström, Corporate Account Manager, Mydata Automation.

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About the NOTE Group

NOTE is one of Sweden's leading manufacturers of electronics, with over 30 years' experience in the industry. We offer near-to-market production through ems-ALLIANCETM - a global network of electronics manufacturers with partners in Brazil, China, India, Italy and the USA.

The Group has a total of roughly 800 employees and annual sales of roughly MSEK 900. In Sweden we are divided into six production facilities/Centers of Excellence and NOTE Lab/sales offices. Outside of Sweden we have a plant in Lithuania, plus operations in Central Europe that are administered from our office in Gdansk, Poland. The NOTE Board of Directors is targeting an IPO for

NOTE on the Stockholm Stock Exchange by 2005.

About Mydata Automation

MYDATA automation designs, manufactures and markets SMT process equipment for the electronics industry. Its business mission is to be continually innovating—in order to satisfy the electronic industry's need for surface mount technology and services that meet the highest demand for productivity and quality.

Based on a modular hardware and software design, MYDATA equipment is developed for flexibility and high-yield production over time. By focusing on faster changeovers and setups, & on achieving the lowest possible cost per mounted component, MYDATA has built a strong customer base with long-term relationships in countries throughout the world.

Sweden-based MYDATA has a worldwide sales and customer support network with subsidiaries in the Netherlands, Great Britain, France, the United States, Japan, China and Singapore.