



## **Court Ratifies Crossing's Acquisition of Asyst Technologies' Atmospheric Assets**

**MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.—August 21, 2009**—Crossing Automation, Inc. ([www.crossinginc.com](http://www.crossinginc.com)) announced that the court has approved the Asset Purchase Agreement for the Asyst Technologies atmospheric technologies and IP assets including the sorter, EFEM (equipment front end module) and RFID products. The court's approval means that Crossing Automation can proceed with the acquisition under the terms of the agreement previously reached with Asyst.

"Getting court approval is a critical step towards completing our acquisition of Asyst's assets," said Jed Keller, president and CEO of Crossing Automation. "Our investment ensures continuity of business for Asyst's current OEM and IDM customers now and for the long term. We are actively moving forward with integrating the two companies as quickly and as smoothly as possible, to maintain the flow of service, parts and products that customers need to successfully operate their businesses."

Crossing Automation expects to complete the acquisition of Asyst's atmospheric automation assets by August 31, 2009.

### **ABOUT CROSSING AUTOMATION:**

Crossing Automation delivers efficient, cost-effective integrated vacuum wafer handling systems and engineering support to high volume manufacturers of vacuum process tools, including etch, CVD, clean, RTP and metrology. Crossing's ExpressSolutions engineering services offers system integration and custom design engineering to optimize wafer-level automation systems that implement the company's ExpressConnect automation modules and subsystems. The company's unique approach enables its customers to develop process-specific wafer transport solutions for multi-platform strategies at a significantly lower cost than current approaches. Offering an alternative to conventional "cluster tool" technology, Crossing achieves critical manufacturing flexibility for OEMs and IC manufacturers alike.

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