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Hisco Expands its AS9120A-certified Facilities to Further North American Distribution of Aerospace Materials

HOUSTON—Feb. 7, 2017—Hisco, an employee-owned, specialty distribution company serving principally the electronics, aerospace, defense and medical device markets, is strengthening its foothold in the aerospace OEM market with a growing number of AS9120A-certified facilities in the United States and Mexico. Mexican facilities in Nogales, Tijuana and Mexicali now solidify 12 locations for the industrial distributor accredited to the standard by the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board (ANAB). An additional two facilities operate to the AS9100 manufacturing standard under the auspices of Hisco's fabrication division. These include Hisco's Precision Converting and its Adhesive Materials Group (AMG).

AS9100, the international management system standard for the aircraft, space and defense industry, affords suppliers a comprehensive system for providing safe and reliable products. It is endorsed by all major aerospace regulators, including the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). AS9100 includes all ISO 9001 quality management system requirements and specifies additional requirements for the aerospace industry. AS9120A is based on AS9100 and includes more than 100 additional requirements specific to distributors of aircraft components. Specifically, AS9120A addresses chain of custody, traceability, control and availability of records.

"Our multiple-site certifications demonstrate Hisco's commitment to deliver quality products and services in accordance with the highest, global standards adopted by the aerospace industry," said Jeffrey Plath, Hisco's senior vice president of operations, supply chain, quality and fabrication. "It's this harmonization of requirements that allows us to come together to build the strongest links in our customers' supply chains."

HiscoMex, Hisco's wholly-owned subsidiary in Mexico, was the first AS distributor in the country and currently operates five facilities to the AS9120A standard: Chihuahua, Celaya, Nogales, Tijuana and Mexicali. HiscoMex, Hisco and its Canadian subsidiary HiscoCan anticipate additional AS certified facilities in the near future to accommodate increasing customer demand.

For more than 45 years, Hisco has delivered value to customers through quality products, process solutions and local inventory. Today, the international branch network and its subsidiaries comprise 38 stocking locations in the United States, Mexico and Canada. Aerospace customers benefit from Precision Converting facilities that provide value-added fabrication. Hisco's Adhesive Materials Group provides an array of custom repackaging solutions. The company also offers vendor-managed inventory programs and specialized warehousing and logistics services. For more information, visit www.hisco.com.