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Global Laminates Inc. of Amesbury, MA, USA and B&C International Ltd of Leamington Spa, UK are pleased to announce that Global Laminates has acquired a majority stake in B&C. The deal will allow B&C to continue to offer sub contract process capability to the UK PCB industry whilst significantly strengthening their ability to supply copper clad laminates, pre pregs and copper foils into the UK and European markets.

The acquisition will secure the continuing development of B&C as a customer focused PCB materials distributor, whilst allowing Global Laminates to expand its' activities into the European arena.

Jack Pattie, President of Global Laminates, said “We believe that the despite the reduction in market size the European PCB Industry has a future, that will require the supply of high tech products from Global manufacturers delivered through local, customer focused, flexible distribution. Global laminates believe in building strong relationships with our manufacturing partners allowing us to deliver best value products and supply chain solutions to our customers. Through our 16 years of laminate distribution experience and strong supplier relationships we believe we can build our European business as a strong and reliable partner to the European PCB Industry”.

Mike Ford, Operations Director of B&C International Ltd, said “This deal is great news for B&C, significantly strengthening our material supply chain and therefore our ability to rapidly grow our copper clad laminate business. The investment will also allow us to consolidate our market leadership position as a provider of sub contract services to the UK market and to add additional products to our portfolio”.

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