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Notification  
**PCN07040**

<b>Product:</b>	Metral® Right Angle Headers	<b>Part Numbers Concerned:</b>	See attached list
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**Subject:**

Metral® – Performance based Plating for Standard Metral Right Angle Headers

**Nature of Change:**

Moving into performance based plating specifications FCI presents its next family ready for conversion meeting Telcordia GR-1217-CORE level Central Office (CO). This important move gives FCI the option to supply Metral Signal and Power Headers with either Gold or GXT™ (Palladium Nickel alloy with gold flash). To strengthen competitive position, continuously meeting requirements, FCI will switch to GXT option as preferred plating system globally.

The product specification will continue to show Gold and GXT as plating systems released for meeting Telcordia CO performance. FCI developed GXT in the 1980's and has used the plating system on numerous connector families for over 25 years. Metral Right Angle Headers active parts with GXT™ plating are identical to Straight headers and are following exactly the same manufacturing process; They have been qualified against the Telcordia requirements. Test report EL-2006-10-005-CR is available on request.

**Implementation Date:**

Globally, FCI will switch to the GXT system as preferred plating system by May 15<sup>th</sup> 2007. For the discontinued products, See attached list.

**Distribution:**

No actions are necessary on the Distributors part regarding this notification.

**Affected Part Numbers:**

In combination with conversion to performance based plating, our portfolio will be cleaned for customer specials. Where appropriate, the attached list guides to affected part numbers.

**Alternative Products:**

Standard products may be shipped with either Gold or GXT™ interchangeably. Where affected by portfolio clean-up, the attached file will guide you to alternative part numbers.

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