

## **KEMET Acquisitions – The Road to becoming “The Capacitance Company”**

In April of 2006, under the new leadership of Mr. Per-Olof Loof , KEMET acquired the tantalum business of **EPCOS AG**. One year later, the company acquired the **Evox Rifa, BHC** family of companies, and in October 2007, KEMET added **Arcotronics**. These acquisitions strengthened KEMET's global position, particularly in Europe, in addition to expanding the company's product portfolio with additional capacitor types, broadening its technologies, and allowing the company to better service new and existing customers.

Today, KEMET maintains its Corporate headquarters and two Innovation Centers in the Upstate of South Carolina. Another Innovation Center is located in Heidenheim, Germany. Manufacturing facilities are located in Matamoros, Monterrey, and Ciudad Victoria Mexico; Suzhou, Nantong, and Anting-Shanghai, China; Sasso Marconi, Vergato, and Monghidoro, Italy; Weymouth and Towcester, England; Évora, Portugal; Suomussalmi, Finland; Granna, Sweden; Batam, Indonesia; Landsberg, Germany; and Kyustendil, Bulgaria. KEMET also owns two specialty electronics companies--**FELCO in Chicago, Illinois, and Dectron in Farjestaden, Sweden**. Sales offices and distribution centers are located around the world.

KEMET capacitors--some smaller than a grain of salt--are fundamental components that store, filter, and regulate electrical energy and current flow. They are found in virtually all electronic applications and products used today, including those in the computer, telecommunication, automotive, military and aerospace, medical, industrial/instrumentation (including lighting), and consumer market segments. "High Reliability" (Hi-Rel) versions of KEMET capacitors have shared in every important military/aerospace effort from the first Telstar to Viking, the Apollo moon landing, the Patriot missile, and the Mir and International Space Stations. KEMET capacitors were also present in both the Pathfinder probe and the Sojourner rover during their historic exploration of Mars.

The product line now includes the world's most complete line of surface-mount and through-hole capacitor technologies across tantalum, ceramic, aluminum (organic and electrolytic), film, and paper dielectrics. The company markets its capacitors to a large and diverse group of original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), electronics manufacturing services (EMS) providers, and electronics distributors around the world. Production is measured in the billions of pieces per year.