


To all customers	Notification and Request Regarding Discontinuation of Products with Lead-Solder plated or Lead-Solder dipped Pins	GBB-S-1657
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Thank you for your continued support of our products.

We have been gradually switching our production to lead-free (Pb-free) products as part of our environmental initiative to act in accordance with the RoHS Directive of the European Union and other global movements to restrict the use of lead, and we would like to inform you that we plan to discontinue nearly all lead-containing products by the end of the September 2006, given that, especially in recent days, our efforts to make products lead-free have progressed swiftly and at least 95% of the products that we ship are now lead-free.

In sum, it will be difficult for us to continue our lead-plating line beyond September 30, 2006.

We therefore ask for your understanding and cooperation regarding our discontinuation of the following products containing lead, as we comply with environment-related restrictions on the use of lead.

1. Affected products

All the opto-electronics devices and RF & microwave devices (all products made by the former NEC Compound Semiconductor Devices, Ltd.)

Please contact an NEC Electronics distributor or sales representative if you have any questions regarding affected products that your company uses.

2. Final arrangements

Please let us have your final orders by June 30, 2006.

3. Completion of production

September 30, 2006 (scheduled)

4. Related published documents and other reference materials

GTP-BE-1002

5. Transition to lead-free (Pb-free) products

Mounting lead-free (Pb-free) products with solder containing lead also is possible, and has experienced market-proven results.

We would be grateful if you would consider switching to lead-free products as early as possible.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact one of our distributors or sales representatives.