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### Media Release

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Federal Government Sovereign Industrial Capability Priority Grant awarded to Hendon Semiconductors Supports Defence Manufacturing Capability Modernisation.

- \$690k government investment grant paired with a matching of funds from Hendon Semiconductors will modernise Hendon's Defence Manufacturing Capability
- Federal grant allows accelerated delivery of improved production lead time and prototype build quality, strengthening Defence innovation in Australia.

Hendon Semiconductors Pty Ltd, a division of Legend Corporation, is excited to announce it has successfully obtained a \$690k grant as part of the Federal Government's Sovereign Industrial Capability Priority Grant scheme.

Hendon Semiconductors plans to undertake a Defence Manufacturing Capability Modernisation Project to upgrade its facilities by acquiring advance manufacturing equipment to enhance its Hybrid Integrated Circuit (HIC) and Printed Circuit Board Assembly (PCBA) production capabilities as well as its sustainment services for the defence sector. The new equipment will enable it to significantly improve the lead time and build quality of both prototypes and small manufacturing runs of electronics to the Defence industry and in doing so strengthen Defence innovation in Australia.

"I'm thrilled at the opportunity to fast-track Hendon's modernisation, particularly in relation to our ability to quickly develop quality prototypes without the reliance on overseas partners, strengthening and significantly accelerating innovation in Defence and other industries in Australia - something we're very passionate about", said Brenton Judge, Executive General Manager for Hendon Semiconductors.

A total investment of \$1.6M – including the matched funds from Hendon Semiconductors - will allow the company to procure and install state of the art equipment including PCB prototyping equipment, flying probe test systems, conformal coating machine, x-ray machine and soldering robots.

The upgraded facility will be completed in October 2024, though most equipment will be online in in early March.

With the support of this grant, Hendon Semiconductor's modernised facility will enhance its Hybrid Integrated Circuit (HIC) and Printed Circuit Board Assembly (PCBA) production capabilities.

Visit our website to see the current capabilities of Hendon at <a href="https://www.hendonsemiconductors.com.au">www.hendonsemiconductors.com.au</a>
Read more about Sovereign Industrial Capability Priority Grants <a href="https://www.hendonsemiconductors.com.au">Sovereign Industrial Capability Priority</a>
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## About Legend

Legend is a market leading designer, manufacturer and distributor of products and accessories to the electrical, utility, data communications and industrial gas markets. The company also engineers, tests & calibrates and manufactures integrated circuits (micro-chips) and electronic systems for electrical, defence, biomedical and other high-tech industries. The seven divisions that operate within the Legend group are renowned for their best in-class customer service and exceptional on-time delivery of up to 30,000 product lines. The group employs over 250 people across Australia and New Zealand in multiple manufacturing sites, independently certified test laboratories, corporate offices and warehouse holding facilities. Legend was privatised by Australian private equity firm, Adamantem Capital, in August 2019.

### **About Hendon Semiconductors**

Hendon Semiconductors is a long established electronic solutions provider based just outside of Adelaide, South Australia. It has a long track record as an integrated circuit design and test facility as well as a designer and manufacture of both thick film hybrids and electronic printed circuit board based controls across a range of industries including Defence, Medical and Rail. Since its establishment as Philips Semiconductors in 1959, Hendon has set the standard for both quality and innovation. Hendon is the innovation partner of choice for organisations developing electronics in Australia.

Hendon Semiconductors is a specialist electronic design and manufacturing company with expertise in:

- Custom integrated circuit design and testing
- Applications design including connectivity solutions, energy management, temperature control, lighting control and high reliability switch mode power supplies
- thick film hybrid design and manufacturing (only facility in Australia)
- SMT and THT assembly of PCB's and modules
- Proprietary testing of all products
- Extensive quality control, life test, reliability and failure analysis processes
- Hendon Semiconductors is a solutions provider.

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