



## Aeroflex Microelectronic Solutions

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Dear Sir or Madam:

As a valued Aeroflex customer, we are notifying you as a user on record that the CT2577 and CT2579 MIL-STD-1553 terminals are being discontinued based on a significant decline in customer usage to the point where continued manufacturing is no longer economically feasible. Additionally, the production automatic test equipment (ATP) used for these devices will no longer be supported after June 30, 2006.

We would like to encourage the placement of Last Time Buy Orders before May 15, 2006 if you are so inclined, to ensure that we will be able to manufacture and test the products before the end of June.

Although there are no direct replacement devices, Aeroflex does have a number of 1553 fully integrated terminals that could be considered in your next design. Please do not hesitate to review the company web page to familiarize yourself with these components.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you be in a position to share in the NRE costs necessary to transfer the present ATP over to the latest test stand. This would be the only acceptable way to extend the availability of these products past the June 30<sup>th</sup> 2006, cut-off date.

Should you have any comments or questions concerning this notice, please do not hesitate to contact me, or our regional sales office, or representatives.

Sincerely,

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