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**ECIA Welcomes The Electrocomponents Group as a Global Member
*Membership includes company's subsidiaries Allied Electronics & Automation in North America and RS Components Globally***

Atlanta – Electronic Components Industry Association (ECIA) is pleased to announce that [Electrocomponents plc](#) (LSE:ECM), a global omni-channel solutions partner for electronics, industrial and automation customers and suppliers has joined the association as a global member, along with its subsidiaries [Allied Electronics & Automation \(Allied\)](#), a distributor of automation and control, electronic, electrical, mechanical, and maintenance products in North America and [RS Components \(RS\)](#), a global distribution partner for industrial customers and suppliers involved in designing, building or maintaining industrial equipment and facilities.

Electrocomponents will be represented on the ECIA by Chris Beeson, Senior Vice President of Electronics at RS. “We recognize the importance of partnering with other industry leaders in electronics manufacturing and distribution to stay on the cutting edge of technology for the wide-ranging benefit of our customers,” said Beeson. “Membership in ECIA allows Electrocomponents, Allied and RS to have a seat at the table with other global distribution and manufacturing leaders to solve problems and advance our industry.”

“We are excited to work alongside our distributor peers and suppliers as ECIA tackles critical industry issues and global technical standards,” said Ken Bradley, President of Allied in the Americas. “This is an excellent opportunity to focus our collective power on customer-facing challenges we can solve together.”

“We are pleased to have Electrocomponents join ECIA as a global partner,” commented David Loftus, ECIA’s President and CEO. “Their worldwide footprint and strong customer relationship network bring an important perspective to the goals of our association. Allied and RS leadership in the electronics distribution industry will bring focus to the continued improvement of the business environment in electronic components around the globe. Having them as a member is great news for all ECIA members and the industry at large.”

About ECIA

The Electronic Components Industry Association (ECIA) is made up of the leading electronic component manufacturers, their manufacturer representatives and authorized distributors. ECIA members share a common goal of promoting and improving the business environment for the authorized sale of electronic components. Comprised of a broad array of leaders and professionals representing all phases of the electronics components supply chain, ECIA is where business optimization, product authentication and industry advocacy come together. ECIA members develop industry guidelines and technical standards, as well as generate critical business intelligence. For more information, visit <https://www.ecianow.org/>.

About Allied Electronics & Automation

Allied Electronics & Automation is a high-service distributor of automation and control, electronic, electrical, mechanical, and maintenance products from more than 500 world-class suppliers. With sales offices across the Americas, a focus on digital customer experience, 99 percent ship-to-order accuracy, and more than 3.5

million parts available for purchase online, engineers, designers, maintainers, and purchasers trust Allied to provide a wide range of solutions across the entire product lifecycle. Connect with them at www.alliedelec.com or via social media on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

About RS Components

RS Components is a trading brand of Electrocomponents plc, a global omni-channel solutions partner for industrial customers and suppliers who are involved in designing, building or maintaining industrial equipment and facilities. They aim to offer customers unrivalled choice of product technologies, solve problems with innovative solutions and deliver a world-class customer experience. They stock more than 500,000 industrial and electronic products sourced from over 2,500 leading suppliers, and provide a wide range of value-added solutions to over one million customers. With operations in 32 countries, they trade through multiple channels and ship over 44,000 parcels a day. For more information, please visit <https://www.rs-online.com/>.

About Electrocomponents plc

Electrocomponents plc is listed on the London Stock Exchange and in the last financial year ended 31 March 2020 reported revenue of £1.95 billion. Electrocomponents plc has eight operating brands; RS Components, Allied Electronics & Automation, RS PRO, OKdo, DesignSpark, IESA, Synovos, and Needlers.