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LCD touch panels by Kyocera

Glass/glass touch panel by Kyocera now available up to 19 inches

Kyoto/Neuss, XX February 2010 – The Japanese technology corporation Kyocera, a pioneer in the field of fine ceramic products and a manufacturer of industrial liquid crystal displays (LCDs), is extending its touch panel line. The touch-sensitive displays are now available in sizes of up to 19 inches. Compared with film on glass systems, the new glass on glass technology achieves higher reliability and enhanced image presentation.

Thanks to its special construction, the touch-sensitive glass/glass touch panel LCD series from Kyocera offers improved readability and greater reliability than the film/glass structure of conventional LCD touch panel combinations. In this series both the main body side and the operating side are made of glass. The displays with touch panel are available with immediate effect and are supplied in the ranging from 3.5 to 19 inches.

Optimized readability

Use of the highly transparent glass substrate reduces the scattering of incident light rays and achieves a clear view of the display without any distortion. For outdoor applications, the LCD polarization film can be attached to the touch panel. This option reduces internal reflection between substrate and LCD, thus facilitating readability in direct sunlight.

Enhanced durability

The use of glass on both sides guarantees enhanced durability and

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hermetically seals the touch panel as well. As a result, the touch panel is ideally protected against condensation – even in areas subject to high humidity. Extreme temperatures do not pose any problems for the glass/glass touch panel series from Kyocera: storage temperatures range from -40 °C to +95 °C and operating temperatures from -30 °C to +85 °C.

Absolutely variable

The glass/glass touch panel can be adapted to individual requirements. Regardless of the size of the touch panel, users can thus choose from thicknesses for the main body side of 0.7 mm, 1.1 mm and 1.8 mm, while the glass plate on the operating side always has a thickness of 0.2 millimetres. Diagonals of 3.5 to 19 inches cater for applications in a very wide range of fields. Consequently, it is possible to put together a perfectly matching system for any application.

Kyocera principally sells its products for industrial applications such as automation processes, measuring instruments and medical devices and offers its customers long availability of these products.

About Kyocera

Headquartered in Kyoto, Japan, the Kyocera Corporation is one of the world's leading manufacturers of fine ceramic components for the technology industry. The strategically important divisions in the Kyocera Group, which comprises more than 200 subsidiaries (April 1st, 2009), are information and communications technologies, products to increase the quality of life, and environmentally friendly products. The technology group is also one of the largest producers of solar energy systems worldwide.

With a workforce of about 60.000 employees, Kyocera posted net sales of approximately €3.68 billion in fiscal year 2008/2009. The products marketed by the company in Europe include laser printers, digital copying systems, microelectronic components, finceramic products and complete solar systems. The corporation has two independent companies in the Federal Republic of Germany: the Kyocera Finceramics GmbH in Neuss and Esslingen and the Kyocera Mita Deutschland GmbH in Meerbusch.

The company also takes a lively interest in cultural affairs. The Kyoto Prize, one of the most

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prominent international awards, is presented each year by the Inamori Foundation, once established by Kyocera founder Dr. Kazuo Inamori, to individuals and groups worldwide for their outstanding human achievement (converted at present €370.000 per prize category).

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