

# *PowerSite*™ Technologies

- Next-generation thermal management
- Based on all-polyimide TPI bond film
- Proprietary (patented, patents pending)

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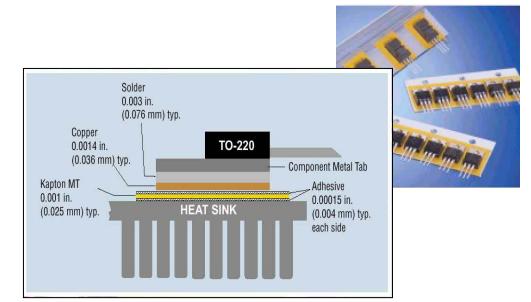
# **Next-Generation Thermal Management**

#### HEAT-SEALED METAL SURFACES

- Allow soldering of power devices to heat sinks
- RESULT: Excellent thermal transfer with no attachment hardware
- Kapton\* electrical insulation
- All-polyimide adhesive durability

#### POWER TECHNOLOGY CHANGES SLOWLY

- Greatest need for thermal management
- Adoption cycles are long.... but position secure once adopted:



| THERMAL<br>INTERFACE            | Introduction |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Mica/grease                     | 1940s        |
| Sil-Pads                        | 1960s        |
| Ceramic (DBC)                   | 1960s        |
| Insulated metal substrate (IMS) | 1980s        |
| PowerSites                      | 2000         |



# **Brief history of polyimides**

### DIELECTRIC FILM:

- Chemistry invented in early '60s (DuPont)
- Kapton 'H' film patented in 1964
- Filmed films introduced in mid '80s (DuPont MT)

### ADHESIVE (thermoplastic):

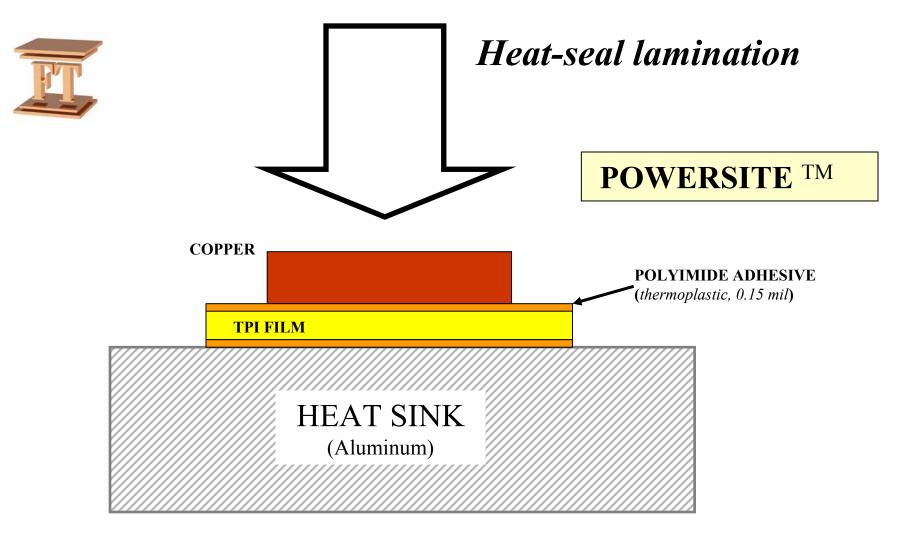
- Developed in late '70s by NASA
- System developed for "atom smashers" in late '80s
- All-polyimide systems developed for flexible laminates in early '90s

## FRAIVILLIG TECHNOLOGIES:

- TPI bond film (1995) basis for application-specific products:
- PowerSite patches (1999)
- PowerFlex circuits (2001)
- PowerVia columns (2001)
- CuprImide substrates (*under dev*.)

### <u>PI ADHESIVE FEATURES:</u>

- Comparable properties to PI films => adhesive no longer the "weak link"
- Strong bond even when thin (0.1-0.2 mil)
  maximize thermal transfer, while minimizing cost
- Heat-sealable fast, single-unit production



Performance advantages of PowerSites:

- Thin, highly thermally-conductive insulation
- All-polyimide durability
- Any heat sink
- No device attachment hardware



# **TPI bond durability**

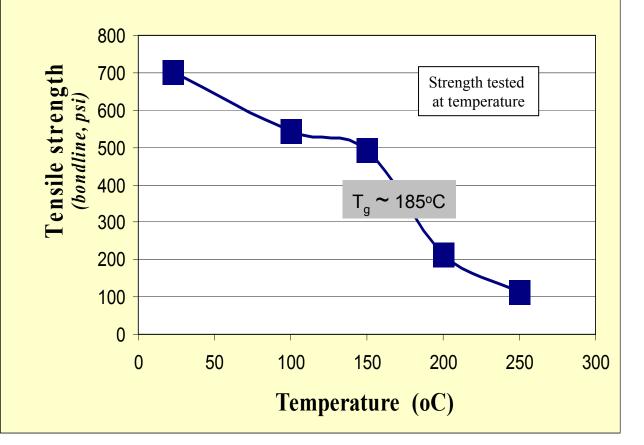
<u>TENSILE STRENGTH</u> •High and consistent to 150°C+ (see chart opposite) •No/little degradation with thermal aging to 150°C+

SHEAR STRENGTH•Room temp = 4000 psi•150°C = 2000 psi

THERMAL TRANSFER *Unchanged with*:

- •Thermal shock
- •Thermal cycling
- •Thermal aging
- •85/85 aging

## **TPI Bond:** *Thermal Durability*





## **PowerSite 'hang-test' at Lucent--Mesquite**

- Constant dead weight on TO-247sized fixture (50 and 75 lbs)
- Constant high-temperature exposure (up to 200°C)
- Copper fixture bonded to aluminum baseplate (no solder joint)
- Measured time-to-failure in tensile mode
- Temperature-vs-time relationship appears inverse-logarithmic
- CONCLUSION:

Continuous exposure to temperatures less than 150°C will not degrade the strength of the PowerSite TPI bondline.

