

## Hon Martin Hamilton-Smith MP

Minister for Defence Industries

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### **South Australian tech company expands operations**

Forecast business growth has prompted high-tech South Australian defence firm APC Technology to relocate to larger premises, allowing it to meet increased customer demand.

Opening the new premises in Cheltenham today Minister for Defence Industries Martin Hamilton-Smith said APC's expansion was another example of the transforming South Australian economy.

APC has moved from Stepney to a 50 per cent larger site on Port Rd to cater for recent and future growth.

It says the move will enable it to better meet the needs of customers, including global defence companies Raytheon and BAE Systems.

Currently employing 25 staff, APC Technology has been a leading producer and supplier of specialist computer solutions since its establishment in 1984.

#### **Background**

The new location provides 1500 sqm over two levels and provides expanded in-house testing capabilities, an expansion of innovative technologies, such as 3D printing and laser engraving, and an increased manufacturing capability.

APC Technology design and manufacture state of the art computer/control technology packages for their industrial and military customers.

#### **Quotes attributable to Minister for Defence Industries Martin Hamilton-Smith**

We are transforming our economy towards a high tech future and companies like APC Technology, who are investing in developing lean manufacturing techniques, to stay ahead of competitors, are part of a new and exciting future for South Australia.

South Australia has recently secured key Defence projects in the Offshore Patrol Vessels, Future Frigates and Future Submarines which will ensure we are able to compete on a global scale in terms of the development of new technologies.

Meanwhile we are actively pursuing other large-scale projects including LAND 400, Australia's largest military vehicle program since World War Two.

South Australia is the Defence State. We have a highly engaged and ever growing defence industry and we are further enhancing our reputation as an innovative place to do business.

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### **Quotes attributable to APC Technology Managing Director Scott Begbie**

The move to our new premises provides the opportunity to expand our capabilities and services to meet the exciting times ahead in South Australia.

The longevity of APC Technology's success has been achieved through the forging of long term partnerships with our customers across diverse industries and the adoption of advanced manufacturing techniques. This ensures we remain innovative, responsive and highly regarded.