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Micronic wins order for laser writer for production of photomasks for active LCD-display screens.

Micronic Laser Systems has received an order worth some SEK 35 million from a customer in Japan for a laser writer for the production of photomasks for active LCD-display screens. Shipment of the machine is expected to take place during the third quarter of 1999.

"This order is a result of long-term co-operation and underscores our dominant position on the market for display screens, one of Micronic's most important market segments," says Ulf Sundström, sales manager.

Micronic Laser Systems in brief

Micronic Laser Systems is a Swedish high-tech company engaged in the development, manufacturing and marketing of a series of extremely accurate laser writers for the production of photomasks. The technology involved is known as microlithography. Micronic's systems are used by the world's leading electronics companies in the manufacturing of television and computer displays, semiconductor circuits and semiconductor packaging components.

Micronic is an expanding company. In September 1997 Micronic was awarded the prestigious "Sweden - Japan Trade Award 1996" by The Swedish Trade Council. The prize is presented to companies whose activities and operations have shown the most significant business improvements and outstanding performance in the extremely competitive Japanese market.

Micronic is situated in Täby, north of Stockholm and has at present three service offices: Japan, Taiwan and the US.