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### President's Column



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As my two year term as CPMT President comes to a close, there are a few thoughts I'd like to leave you with.

#### The Society is in good hands

I will be turning over the reigns of President to Dr. Bill Chen, a veteran in our industry who worked for IBM and is now with ASE. Bill most recently served on our Board of Governors (BOG) as Strategic Director for Asia and is well attuned to the operation of our organization and the plans we have in place. Please congratulate Bill on his new role and offer him the same strong support you all offered me.

It has been my pleasure to work with the Board members you have elected. They have been a hard-working group of individuals from around the globe who have our Society's and our industry's best interests at heart.

#### We are THE #1 Source of Information

The quality of our information continues to be CPMT's most important contribution to the industry. Through our professional meetings, journals and professional courses we are the #1 source in the world when it comes to information about device materials, packaging and manufacturing.

Our technical anchor, the yearly ECTC program, continues to draw the best presentations from around the world. We have also seen market acceptance of our CPMT-sponsored major Asian meeting EPTC (Electronic Packaging Technology Conference) which is held each fall in Singapore, and we have started what we hope will be a European equivalent in the "Electronic SystemIntegration Technology Conference" which will be held in Dresden in the Fall of 2006.

Please visit our newly reorganized web site – [www.cpmt.org](http://www.cpmt.org) – to examine all our offerings.

#### A Truly International Organization

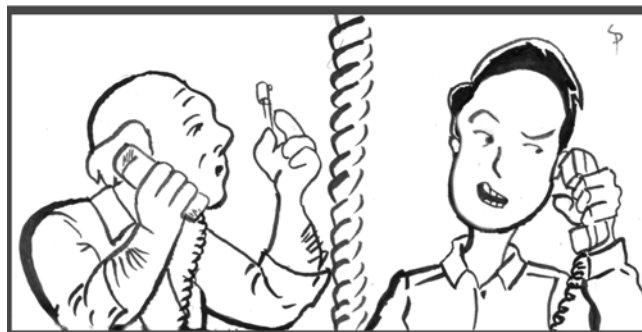
As most of you know, continuing our globalization process has been one of my goals for my term in office. I think we have accomplished this by revising the bylaws so that each region votes to elect its own board members based on its percentage of the overall membership. We are sure that this will allow CPMT management to better reflect the desires of our broad global membership.

#### In summary

These have been a fun two years for me and I hope a productive two years for the Society. I wish you all a healthy and happy 2006!

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#### HAVE YOUR COTS AND CUSTOM TOO?



(whine...whine)  
(sigh...)

Right, it saves cost.

Right, just a few changes.

Let me get this straight!  
Your company now wants COTS  
instead of custom chips.  
But now you want me to change  
our 97 cent part to fit your  
custom design?  
(slam....click).