

Product range: *har-bus[®] HM*

Date: 11/04/07

Title: **Change of the contact coating of the
har-bus[®] HM male connectors**

Dear Sir or Madam

HARTING is to change the contact coating of the *har-bus[®] HM* male connectors to **Palladium/Nickel with an additional gold flash.**

From the technical point of view there will be no difference to the pure gold surface. We will offer a performance level 2 version according the IEC as the standard and a performance level 1 version that fulfils the Telcordia/Bellcore standard regarding the surface thickness (0,65µm). There will be no part number changes.

PdNi is a well-known connector surface finish and HARTING has been delivering I/O products with PdNi surface for a long time. Our competitors are already offering PdNi.

On completion of the new plating lines the delivery could start in July/August 2007. During the transition time a mixed delivery of gold and Palladium/Nickel is possible to avoid high scrapping cost.

Please inform in particular your military and medical customers accordingly. These customers are the ones most likely to have any comments on these changes. Your feedback would be appreciated.

Best regards

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(part numbers to be advised)