

# Columbia Tech successfully Earns Recertification to ISO 9001:2015

*Coghlin Companies subsidiary overcomes pandemic challenges to earn recertification with top marks*

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**WESTBOROUGH, MASS. AUGUST 04, 2020** – Columbia Tech, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Coghlin Companies, Inc. and provider of world-class engineering, [manufacturing](#) and global fulfillment services to a diversified group of capital equipment innovators in the robotics, life sciences, semiconductor, and homeland security industries, has successfully earned recertification to ISO 9001:2015.

[ISO 9001](#) is an internationally recognized standard specifying the requirements for Quality Management Systems. It focuses on seven key principles including engagement of people, customer focus, leadership, process approach, and evidence-based decision making. Columbia Tech’s recertification is a direct reflection of its commitment to providing exceptional customer experiences through high-quality relationships and process-driven commercialization services.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the entire audit was conducted virtually, using Intertek’s [Inview](#) remote auditing solution. “The entire team did an outstanding job working together to support the remote audit. We were able to complete a full ISO recertification during the peak of COVID-19 with zero findings,” stated Kevin Dailida, Senior Vice President of Quality and Compliance at Columbia Tech. “The auditors were impressed with our strong, customer-focused culture, knowledgeable Caring Associates, and teamwork. We are so proud of how successful this recertification went, especially during such a challenging and unprecedented time. It was a total TEAM effort.”

“I am humbled by the display of dedication shown by our team not only during this audit, but every day when it comes to putting quality first,” stated Chris Coghlin, President and CEO of Coghlin Companies. “Every Caring Associate throughout our organization is committed to ensuring we have a robust quality system that drives highly compliant products to our treasured customers!”

Through the in-depth review of Columbia Tech’s internal Quality Management System, Intertek has certified that Columbia Tech is adhering to the internal documented procedures and has a fully

compliant ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System. The auditors also complimented Columbia Tech on the level of involvement from ownership and senior leadership, as well as the entire company's dedication to maintaining such a high level of quality.

"Intertek has been privileged to support Columbia Tech over the past 15 years in their efforts toward continual improvement in their management systems," says Calin Moldovean, President, Intertek Business Assurance & Food Services. "Re-certification to ISO 9001 is an achievement that demonstrates the commitment by the Columbia Tech team to ensure consistency and quality of their processes, procedures, and products, even in the midst of disruption like a global pandemic."

### **ABOUT COLUMBIA TECH**

Columbia Tech provides product development, manufacturing, global fulfillment, and aftermarket services through its Time to Market Services™ business model. Columbia Tech works with innovators in the 3D printing, life sciences, robotics, energy innovation, semiconductor, LED, data storage, homeland security, and defense industries. Columbia Tech is a subsidiary of Coghlin Companies, Inc., a fourth-generation, privately held, concept-to-commercialization company. Visit <http://www.ColumbiaTech.com> to learn more!

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