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## **Product Change Notice**

Sub: Backorder Fulfillment

Part series: HVF series (all sizes and values)

Effective Date: Immediately

Ohmite regretfully announces that it will be unable to fulfill backorders for HVF Series high voltage SMD resistors. On August 21, 2017 we announced that we were no longer accepting orders for this series and that a change of manufacturing location and country of origin was planned for November-December 2017. Those plans have been delayed due to late deliveries of equipment and the damage incurred by a materials supplier based in Puerto Rico during Hurricane Maria. Our access to the current HVF product has been compromised by a serious and debilitating health problem effecting the owner/operator of our supplier of HVF Series resistors. We respectfully ask that any HVF backorders be cancelled by our Distributors. When a replacement product is finally announced it will carry a different part number series, involve different specifications and limits, and be priced differently than the current HVF Series product. The chronically late and unpredictable deliveries of HVF Series have damaged our reputation as a reliable supplier and by extension, the reputations of our valued Distributor partners. As we exit 2017 we are committed to not carrying HVF Series backlog into the 2018. Distributors are welcome to return any excess HVF Series inventory after acquiring an RMA Number from Customer Service. HVF Series returns will not, of course, be counted against any annual stock rotation privileges our Distributors are entitled to.

Customers with short-term needs for SMD High Voltage Resistors are encouraged to look at HVC Series as an option. HVC Series is a conventional wrap-around terminal high voltage chip resistor. It is available in the same sizes as HVF Series (1206 and 2512) but not all resistance/tolerance/TCR combinations may be available. HVC is also more expensive than HVF Series which is a single-sided flip chip platform.

Best Regards,

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