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## **COMPANY NEWS; SOLECTRON TO BUY SEQUEL TO EXPAND SERVICES BUSINESS**

The Solectron Corporation, which provides manufacturing services for electronics companies, said yesterday that it had agreed to buy the closely held Sequel Inc. for an undisclosed price. The transaction gives Solectron control of Sequel's operations in San Jose, Calif.; Memphis, and Reading, England. Solectron said it would keep all of Sequel's 550 employees. Sequel, based in San Jose, specializes in notebook computer and liquid crystal display repair service and support. After acquiring Sequel, Solectron plans to offer a telephone support service for repairs and trouble-shooting. The stock of Solectron rose 25 cents, to \$55.5625.