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Auctioneers 'Sold' on Kansas City

60th International Auctioneers Conference & Show - July 13-18, Overland Park, Kan.

Overland Park, Kan. (Vocus) July 10, 2009 -- Auctioneers from across the world will travel to Overland Park, Kan. for the 60th International Auctioneers Conference & Show next week. This year's conference will take place July 13-18 at the Overland Park Convention Center. This year's event will feature over a thousand auctioneers celebrating one of the world's fastest growing and oldest industries. The conference is coordinated by the [National Auctioneers Association](#) (NAA). Headquartered in Overland Park, Kan., the NAA is the nation's largest association dedicated to the auction profession and industry.

The NAA and its members will be celebrating six decades of service at this year's conference. Highlights of the conference include over 40 educational seminars ranging from technology in the auction industry, to growth in the real estate auction market. One of the major highlights of this annual event is its competitions. Each year the NAA crowns the world's top male and female auctioneers at its conference. Auctioneers from across the world will compete for the coveted International Auctioneer Championship (IAC) title. In addition to the IAC competition, conference attendees will enjoy the International Ringman Championship (IRC) and the International Junior Auctioneer Championship (IJAC). Conference attendees will also be provided with one of the largest trade shows in the history of the event.

To learn more about Conference & Show, visit: auctioneers.org/conference2009.

In 2008, the live auction industry sold \$268.4 billion in goods and services in the United States. The fastest growing sectors of the auction industry in 2008 were residential real estate and agricultural machinery and equipment auctions. With over \$83 billion in gross sales, automobile auctions continue to lead the industry. The auction industry is vast and diverse with auctioneers specializing in a variety of markets, such as art/antiques, automobiles, machinery, real estate, personal property, and charity.

About the NAA

Headquartered in Overland Park, Kan., the National Auctioneers Association (NAA) represents the interests of approximately 4,400 auctioneers in the United States, Canada, and across the world. Founded in 1949, the mission of the NAA is to promote the auction method of marketing and enhancing the professionalism of its members through education and technology. To learn more about Auctioneers or to find an auctioneer, visit:

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FatCow.com.au Launches eNewsletter for Australia's Farming and Agriculture Industries

Australian online agriculture and farming directory, FatCow (<http://fatcow.com.au>), today announced the launch of FatCow Product News, the website's fortnightly email newsletter. FatCow Product News includes the latest information and updates on farming and agriculture products and services.

Sydney, Australia (PRWEB) July 11, 2009 -- Australian online agriculture and farming directory, FatCow (<http://fatcow.com.au>), today announced the launch of FatCow Product News, the website's fortnightly email newsletter. FatCow Product News includes the latest information and updates on farming and agriculture products and services.

"The launch of FatCow Product News is a reflection of the high calibre product and service information submitted to FatCow on a daily basis," said Simon Morton, Business Development Director at Catch, an online division of Reed Business Information Australia (RBI) and publisher of Fatcow.com.au. "There has been a need expressed amongst the farming agriculture communities for a regular information source dedicated specifically to new products and developments relevant to the industry. FatCow Product News has been launched to serve this need," said Morton.

FatCow Product News provides an opportunity for Fatcow's listed businesses to enhance their online exposure, by delivering information about those businesses' products or services directly to individuals who have registered their interest in the agriculture and farming sector. Subscription to FatCow Product News is entirely free of charge, and available via the homepage or the eNewsletter page of the website.

"FatCow Product News is a convenient supplement to active online information searching, and allows subscribers to keep abreast of industry developments, by delivering the latest news straight to their inbox" Morton said.

About Catch:

Catch, an online division of Reed Business Information Australia (RBI), manages a growing portfolio of business-to-business and business-to consumer websites, including global business directory Hotfrog.

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SME Education Foundation -- Gene Haas Scholarship Fund Opens Door for Focus: HOPE Machining Students

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Foundation (SME-EF) opened a door with a leadership gift of \$50,000 to establish the SME Education Foundation -- Gene Haas Scholarship Fund designed to attract and support Focus: HOPE students. The new scholarship offers access to training and education programs in machining technology giving students a chance to change their lives and have a rewarding career.

Dearborn, Mich. (PRWEB) - Doors close or never open - and hard-working young men and women are sometimes denied opportunity to realize their dreams or potential. The [Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Foundation \(SME-EF\)](#) opened a door with a leadership gift of \$50,000 to establish the SME Education Foundation -- Gene Haas Scholarship Fund designed to attract and support Focus: HOPE students. The new scholarship offers access to training and education programs in machining technology giving students a chance to change their lives and have a rewarding career.

"This new scholarship will provide the opportunity for men and women to attend our newly-updated machinist training program and train for careers in a wide range of industries," said William F. Jones, Jr., CEO, Focus: HOPE. "Employers seek out our students because of our emphasis on manual and computer numerical skills as well as our high standards for developing superior work habits. But the economic challenges in today's economy make it difficult for students to attend without scholarship assistance. This support from the SME Education Foundation will enable talented students to train for careers that ultimately will enable them to provide for their families and become contributing members of society."

The Focus: HOPE Scholarship Committee regularly reviews student applications for financial support. Scholarship awards are based upon a number of factors. Among the items considered are need, academic achievement and a demonstrated commitment to advanced machining which is supported by letters of recommendation from faculty. The SME Education Foundation and others may make additional and/or endowment gifts to the fund. Upon request gifts may remain anonymous.

"We think talented students deserve more than we are able to provide, and encourage others to join us in providing critical funding," says Bart Aslin, director, SME Education Foundation. "We were able to create this new scholarship because of the generosity of the Gene Haas Foundation."

Since 1981, Focus: HOPE has helped more than 8,000 individuals establish successful careers through their career preparation programs. Their Centers of Opportunity include:

Machinist Training Institute (MTI): The Machinist Training Institute opened in 1981 as Focus: HOPE's first education program. The curriculum was based on the training needs of area machine shop owners. Retired machinists frequently taught the classes, teaching students how to operate lathes, mills, and grinders. Students developed their hands-on skills while producing a set of tools they could take with them as they entered the job



market. In recent years, the MTI curriculum was expanded to include more Computer Numerical Control (CNC) training. With changes to manufacturing in southeast Michigan, Focus: HOPE is again updating its curriculum to meet needs for skilled workers in various areas of manufacturing.

Center for Advanced Technologies (CAT): The Center for Advanced Technologies was started in 1993 with funding from the National Science Foundation (NSF) in a unique collaboration of industry and university partners to educate renaissance engineers. Focus: HOPE students can earn associates and bachelor's degrees in various areas of engineering.

Information Technologies Center (ITC): The Information Technologies Center provides training through industry certifications with programs including PC Technology, Network Administration and Desktop and Server Administration. More than 1,000 students have graduated since the ITC opened in 1999.

About The Gene Haas Foundation:

The Gene Haas Foundation was established in 1999 by Gene Haas, founder and president of Haas Automation Inc., the largest machine tool manufacturer in the United States. One of the primary goals of the Gene Haas Foundation is to provide financial assistance for students interested in manufacturing-based careers. Scholarship programs are available through career centers, technical schools, community colleges and universities.

Gene Haas recognizes the future of manufacturing in the United States is directly dependent on the availability of skilled workers. That future hinges on recruiting more students and developing quality training programs across the country. The Gene Haas Foundation funding goes directly to those training programs to attract prospective students. Visit <http://ghaasfoundation.org/>

About Focus: HOPE:

Focus: HOPE is a nationally recognized civil and human rights organization in Detroit founded in 1968 after the Detroit riots. Throughout the years, Focus: HOPE developed numerous programs in its efforts to overcome racism, poverty and injustice. It offers a food program, which assists 42,000 seniors, mothers and children each month; career training programs in machining, engineering and information technology; a child care center, a community arts program targeted to high school students, and neighborhood revitalization initiatives. Through Focus: HOPE, thousands of individuals - especially women and minorities - have become financially independent. Visit www.focushope.edu.

About the SME Education Foundation:

The SME Education Foundation is committed to inspiring, supporting and preparing the next generation of manufacturing engineers and technologists in the advancement of manufacturing education. Created by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers in 1979, the SME Education Foundation has provided more than \$29 million since 1980 in grants, scholarships and awards through its partnerships with corporations, organizations, foundations, and individual donors. Visit the SME Education Foundation at www.smeef.org and award-winning website, Manufacturing is Cool!

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American Ironhorse Motorcycles, Largest Manufacturer of Chopper Motorcycles, Falls in Bad Economy. Michigan's Liquid Asset Partners to Run Liquidation Sale

Fort Worth, TX-based American Ironhorse Motorcycles, once the largest manufacturer of chopper motorcycles in the world, falls victim to a downdraft in the economy. Grand Rapids, Michigan-based Liquid Asset Partners to run liquidation sale starting July 15th. Circus-like liquidation event will be once in a lifetime opportunity for general public to see inner workings of a motorcycle factory in person, similar to chopper motorcycle shops seen on TV. Firm that handled liquidation of Circuit City's headquarters & warehouses running the bankruptcy sale.

Fort Worth, TX (PRWEB) July 10, 2009 -- American Ironhorse Motorcycles of Fort Worth, TX, once the largest manufacturer of custom motorcycles, has filed Chapter 11 Bankruptcy, intends to reorganize and continue manufacturing state of the art custom motorcycles in a new right-sized facility. Liquid Asset Partners, LLC of Grand Rapids, MI, has been retained to sell their back log of over 100 custom motorcycles, excess manufacturing equipment and 7 million dollars in excess parts and accessories.

The bankruptcy court order directs Liquid Asset Partners LLC to sell everything that would be excess to the new downsized operation.

"This is the Motorcycle Deal of a lifetime!" says Bill Melvin Jr CEO Liquid Asset Partners. "For any Motorcycle Fan the deals are too cheap to miss. You can buy anything from a custom chopper gas tank or hand tools, and all the way to a sparkling custom chopper. We sell as such huge discounts people fly in from all over the USA! Some people will start a new business just from buying these deals."

These custom motorcycles represent a stock pile of bikes made over the last four years and remain new and unsold at the factory. By blowing these out the door American Ironhorse will clear their slate for new models with state of the art improvements and upgrades.

"This will represent one of the largest sales of custom motorcycles ever sold directly from a manufacturing facility!" says Bill Melvin Jr, CEO of Liquid Asset Partners. "These Custom Choppers, which are rolling art, are selling at enormous discounts, right off the factory floor. For anyone who has enjoyed the Chopper Builders on TV, it's really quite a sight to see a chopper factory in person. The Public is welcome. They can buy not only the motorcycles but also the tools and parts from which they were made."

The Bankruptcy Court orders state most of the factory equipment must be sold, millions of dollars worth of parts and of course over 100 motorcycles. "We have no illusions, the market is very soft and we are prepared to deeply discount everything," Melvin says. "It's stacked high and we're selling it cheap. Everything must be sold regardless of cost or Loss. The Public won't want to miss these deals".

The liquidation sale starts Wednesday July 15th at the American Ironhorse Factory 4600 Blue Mound Road in



Forth Worth, TX, and is open to the public everyday until everything is sold. Hours of operation are 10am till 7pm Monday thru Saturday and 12noon to 5pm on Sunday. Buyers may view bikes online at www.LiquidAssetPartners.com or come directly to the factory, to see where and how they were made.

Background: Liquid Asset Partners is a nationwide firm specializing in Retail, Motorsports, and Industrial liquidations & auctions. Some of their recent transactions include the liquidation sale of Circuit City's World Headquarters in Richmond, VA and Circuit City's eight Distribution Centers in Maryland, Florida, Illinois, Oklahoma, and California. The teams management has worked in the asset disposition industry since 1975 with recent motorcycle related liquidation sales including the Indian Motorcycle Factory, Cannondale Motorcycle Factory, numerous dealers, and parts distributors.

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New Hampshire Machining Company Latva Machine Inc Presents an Interesting Solution to Economic Slump: Southern Expansion

Latva Machine Inc has a unique way to beat a tough economic climate. Their solution? Expand. It's not quite Manifest Destiny, but Latva Machine Inc recently signaled their southern expansion with the acquisition of an Alabama machining facility specializing in production of machined castings, forgings, and extrusions.

(PRWEB) July 8, 2009 -- Latva Machine Inc of Newport NH rises above a struggling economy, announces the opening of a new machining Facility in Alabama specializing in medium to high production of precision machined castings, forgings and extrusions.

In an economic period where so many businesses are being forced to downsize, New Hampshire based Latva Machine recently announced their southern expansion through the opening of a Latva South Inc. in Alexander City Alabama.

Latva South's close working relationship with sand casting, permanent mold, investment casting and forging suppliers offers their clients a more complete solution to their component needs. Additionally, it also allowed Latva Machine to offer expanded materials such as A319, A356-T6, and A356-T7 Aluminum as well Gray & Ductile Iron in both cored and non cored castings.

Regarding the recent expansion, Mitch Latva, CEO of Latva Machine, was eager for the chance to provide a higher level of quality on higher production components for customers across the country; "We will be able to provide customers with the same high level precision machining and close tolerance's we've been supplying to our aerospace customers the past 30 years. By partnering with these material suppliers, we can increase our quality assurance capabilities, lower our lead time and take care of all the legwork making the procurement process painless for

our customers." says Mr. Latva. Especially for such an uncertain economic climate, Latva was excited for a situation he describes as a "win-win solution for our clients and for Latva Machine Inc."

This expansion adds to Latva Machine Inc's ability to provide machine precision components in carbon steel, 300 & 400 stainless steel, 17-4PH, 15-5PH, Inconel, Monel, Plastics, aluminum, and iron for the automotive, firearms and recreational vehicles industry.

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Customers Design Reid Supply's New Web Site

Reid Supply Company, a leading supplier of industrial and technical parts and free CAD images to engineers, technicians and others has enhanced their web site with direct input from their customers. John Carrier, the company's President, says the new ReidSupply.com is all about ease of use with a new intuitive smarter search engine and a de-emphasis on marketing. The new site takes the customer exactly where they want to go faster and easier. Plus, the new site offers a [Knowledge Base](#) for engineers, machinists, hobbyists and scholars. Their repository of information features the free CAD library, a large collection of industrial supply reference books, a free "Ask An Expert" feature, a free e-newsletter, free Resource Guides special requests and more.

Muskegon, Michigan (PRWEB) July 7, 2009 -- What Does It Take to Build a World-Class e-Commerce Web Site? According to the web services team at [Reid Supply Company](#), a Michigan-based global distributor of industrial parts, components and supplies, all it takes is getting direct input from many customers, along with some savvy data managers, creative web designers and clever web developers to incorporate the customers' desires.

In a continuing effort to improve the customer experience, the web development team at Reid Supply enlisted the help of long-time patrons to understand their ecommerce needs for [industrial products](#). What they found was good news.

"We discovered that we were on the right track with our developmental planning for the new ReidSupply.com," said Greg Palmer, Reid Supply Company's Director of Marketing. "In a survey sent out to thousands of customers, we learned that they wanted a simpler and more direct shopping experience. That was exactly what we were planning, and that is exactly what we've built."

Part of that simpler experience involved Reid eliminating most of the marketing messages on the site. Their customers wanted better search results with less "marketing clutter" to get in the way of buying the products they wanted. On top of this, they added vital on-line account management for the customer.

"We conducted a deep survey of Reid Customers and frankly, discovered a few problems," said Palmer. "We found out, through direct and indirect contact, that users wanted a better, smarter, search tool; they wanted an easier way to manage their on-line accounts; and they wanted a site that was clear of marketing clutter so that they could find the products that they needed faster."

The Reid team realized from the survey that they had some pretty serious remodeling to do. Utilizing best web practices; smart data use; and some very creative programming and designing, they got to work.

They determined the new site would need a lot of web images because they wanted it to be image-driven, as well as data searchable. The Reid team utilized all of their print catalog images, took photos of missing images, and utilized computer aided design (CAD) drawings, which are free to the customer, to give the site added functionality.



According to the company, their new web site is much more than better data; an improved search experience was number one on the customers' request list.

"The first thing we considered was how we could create a simpler and smarter search app that delivered what customers were looking for," said John Carrier, President of Reid Supply Company. "Our new Smarter Search function is very intuitive in the sense that as you are typing, it is auto-suggesting in a drop-down window. This can be very handy if you don't know exactly what you want. The search engine can be very helpful."

Reid also simplified the look of the web site and virtually eliminated the marketing hype. There are still specials available like the Clearance Center, Deal of the Day, and Savings Spotlights, but they are only visible from a tab or on the right rail of the site.

"It takes a great deal of planning to make a site this vast work," said Carrier. "It's an interesting marriage between our ERP system, our search engine, our database servers, our programming platform and a lot of programming to make it all work. We have a great web team to bring the marriage together."

By all indications, Reid customers are delighted. Early responders have said that the new web site is more user friendly, and more importantly, more effective in guiding the user to the exact item they need much faster.

"We didn't need an economic downturn to tell us that we needed to give the Customer exactly what they wanted," said Carrier. "We've always believed that and that is why our team is constantly gearing up with new technologies to improve the Customer's experience. There will always be new features that our Customers will ask for when shopping on-line and even now, having just launched the new site, we continue tweaking and improving the functionality daily."

Reid is on the cutting edge of technology and offers free [CAD drawings](#) on more than 90% of everything on their web site, ReidSupply.com.

"We have over 40,000 free CAD drawings that anyone can download," says Palmer. "This is [one of the biggest, if not the biggest, free CAD database in the industrial supply industry](#). It would be very beneficial for an engineer or technician in any industry to come to ReidSupply.com and simply download the CAD part they need for their engineering designs."

The company's revamped web site offers a Knowledge Base for engineers, machinists, hobbyists and scholars. Their repository of information features the free CAD library, [a large collection of industrial supply reference books](#), [a free "Ask An Expert" feature](#), a free e-newsletter, [free Resource Guides](#), special requests and more.

Reid Supply Company, which started selling [industrial supplies](#) in 1948, serves virtually every industry with products ranging from clamps, to power transmission, to structural systems, to hardware and everything in between.

"Our exclusive 12 color-coded category classification is great for folks who want to locate specific items with



minimum effort," says Palmer. "We have organized all of our products into these 12 areas and color-coded them for easy reference and access."

Reid's product offering features 12 color-coded categories as follows:

- Manual Controls: Knobs, Handles, and Hand Wheels
- Clamps and Workholding
- Tooling Components
- Fasteners and Hardware
- Leveling Devices and Vibration Control
- Material Handling
- Bearings and Power Transmission
- Metalworking
- Maintenance, Repair and Operations (MRO)
- Pneumatics and Hydraulics
- Structural Systems
- Safety

"We are always looking toward the future for our Customers," says Carrier. "As technology changes, so will we. But one thing will never change here, our rallying cry, 'while others may be bigger, nobody will serve the Customer better' which is really all about us staying at the forefront of serving everyone who shops the new ReidSupply.com."

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Ansell Introduces New Hand Protection Catalog: The Ansell North America Protection Solutions Guide

Ansell Limited has introduced the Ansell North America Protection Solutions Guide. This hand protection catalog is a result of intensive global research of Ansell customers' experiences, needs and preferences with regard to the glove and apparel selection process.

Red Bank, NJ (PRWEB) July 7, 2009 -- Ansell Limited, the world's leading manufacturer of personal protective apparel, has introduced the Ansell North America Protection Solutions Guide. This hand protection catalog is a result of intensive global research of Ansell customers' experiences, needs and preferences with regard to the glove and apparel selection process.

"The North America Protection Solutions Guide was designed to simplify the glove selection process by coupling vital information with comparison charts and application images," said Bill Reed, senior vice president, regional director for Ansell. "This extensive information allows our customers to make decisions that further the success of their companies."

Ansell created a printed glove catalog, the company's first in several years, due to specific requests from customers. In keeping with best practices in green printing and sustainability, Ansell used the latest in green publishing technology to print its personal protective equipment (PPE) solutions guide, including the use of recycled paper stock and soy inks. At the end of its use, the guide can be completely recycled.

"The industrial glove market continues to grow and is driven by increased focus on worker safety," said Reed. "We continue to integrate innovation into our glove designs, as well as researching ways to enhance worker comfort, performance, fit and color to ensure worker compliance. Our new solutions guide helps customers navigate through these options."

Based on the feedback from Ansell's customer research, the new hand protection and apparel catalog categorizes over 100 products into three protection categories:

- Mechanical protection (protection against cuts, abrasions, snags punctures and hand fatigue)
- Chemical & liquid protection (protection against hazardous chemicals, liquids and mechanical hazards in both immersion and splash situations)
- Product protection (worker protection for both janitorial/sanitation needs, as well as food processing and service)

Customers can request a printed copy of the PPE catalog or download an electronic version at <http://www.AnsellPro.com>. In addition to this solutions guide and product offerings, Ansell also offers the powerful and proprietary Ansell GuardianSM program to corporate and plant representatives looking for productivity improvements, injury prevention and cost reduction solutions. The Ansell Guardian process uses multiple measurement tools to identify significant cost reductions in PPE/safety related expenditures, improve processes and implement best practices.



About Ansell

Celebrating more than 100 years, Ansell has long been recognized for the innovations and leadership it has provided the hand protection and safety apparel industry. Besides high quality products, the company offers a comprehensive business solutions approach to help manufacturers achieve their cost reduction mandates. Ansell personal protective clothing (PPC) specialists work directly with corporate and plant representatives to develop highly effective programs with quantifiable results.

With its regional U.S. headquarters located in Red Bank, New Jersey and with operations in Canada, Latin America, Europe, Asia and Australia, Ansell serves a wide range of industries, including chemical manufacturing and refining, automotive, food processing, general industrial, pharmaceutical, pulp and paper, construction, white goods, semiconductor and electronics manufacturing, and primary metals.

For more information about Ansell's strategic business solutions and portfolio of protective gloves and apparel, visit www.ansellpro.com or call 800.800.0444.

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Two New Nonferrous Metal Tooling Kits from Techno Ensure Clean, One-Pass Cutting Solutions

Two New Nonferrous Metal Tooling Kits from Techno Ensure Clean, One-Pass Cutting Solutions

New Hyde Park, N.Y. (PRWEB) July 6, 2009 -- Techno, Inc. CNC Cutting Tools is pleased to introduce their New Nonferrous Upcut and Nonferrous Downcut Tooling Kits specifically designed for cutting softer alloy metals such as aluminum, brass, and copper. Each versatile kit is capable of slashing production rates and production time in half through the utilization of 'O' Flute Geometry. This unique design ensures clean one-pass cutting solutions for the softer metal applications.

"Our Nonferrous cutting tools are ideal for keeping friction away from the router bit by ejecting chips in an upwards and downwards motion which prolongs the lifespan of each," says Ray Jakas, CNC Cutting Tools Sales Manager. "This revolutionary design reduces pressures typically associated with high-powered drilling by carving rather than pushing through nonferrous metals. The end result is less lifting, less mess, smoother finishes and an increase in your productivity."

Both the Nonferrous Upcut and the Nonferrous Downcut Tooling Kits include (2) Single 'O' Flute 1/8" Diameter Cutters, (2) Single 'O' Flute 3/16" Diameter Cutters, (2) Single 'O' Flute 1/4" Diameter Cutters, and are conveniently housed in a wooden case for easy storage.

These high-quality tools are great for both novice or experienced metal workers, and are available for immediate purchase online at: www.techno-isel.com/tooling/ToolingKits/index.htm.

For more information on the Nonferrous Metal Upcut and Nonferrous Metal Downcut Tooling Kits, or to purchase online, log on to: www.techno-isel.com/tooling/ or speak with an applications engineer at 800-819-3366.

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Coleman Equipment Adds New Oil Vac Truck to Service Fleet

Coleman Equipment, Inc., has added a new field service maintenance truck to its service fleet. The new truck has a state of the art oil exchange system from Sage Oil Vac that enables Coleman Equipment to maintain its Kubota equipment in a clean, safe manner.

Bonner Springs, KS (PRWEB) July 6, 2009 -- Coleman Equipment, Inc., has added a new field service maintenance truck to its service fleet. The new truck has a state of the art oil exchange system from Sage Oil Vac that enables Coleman Equipment to maintain its Kubota equipment in a clean, safe manner.

In addition to providing field repairs, the Sage Oil Vac Lube Equipment allows technicians to perform on-site oil and fluid exchanges in an enclosed process without exposure to contamination and less chance of spills. Fresh oil is delivered after being run through high-grade oil filters to deliver the cleanest, safest oil possible. Customer fleets are back up and running in less time and with less hassle or mess.

The new truck will be used to service Coleman Equipment's customers' Kubota and Case equipment, which includes Kubota Compact Excavators (<http://www.colemanequip.com/kubotaexcavators.asp>), Case Loader Backhoes (<http://www.colemanequip.com/caseloaderbackhoes.asp>), Kubota RTV Utility Vehicles (<http://www.colemanequip.com/kubotautilityvehicles.asp>), Case Skid Steer and Compact Track Loaders, Kubota tractors, and all other makes of compact equipment.

With additional options purchased - such as quick disconnect drain fittings and oil filter stingers - the Sage Oil Vac Lube system allows for maintenance with less chance of spills or contamination. Waste oil is stored on the truck and offloaded at Coleman Equipment in a clean, safe manner.

Coleman Equipment, Bonner Springs, Kansas has been a compact equipment dealer for almost 70 years serving eastern Kansas and the Greater Kansas City Metropolitan area. Coleman Equipment sells Case compact Construction Equipment and is a full line Kubota dealer along with a full range of implements and equipment attachments.

Sage Oil Vac has been manufacturing lube equipment for on-site oil exchanges since 1993. Sage Oil Vac Lube Equipment can be found in a broad base of industries, including construction, agriculture, oil and gas field services, wind turbine maintenance, road building and the military.

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Glen Long Joins Delkor Systems as Vice President

Glen A. Long has joined the management team of Delkor Systems Inc. as Vice President. He will manage key functional areas of the company, including Sales and Service, Engineering, and Operations.

Circle Pines, MN (PRWEB) July 4, 2009 -- Glen Long Joins Delkor Systems as Vice President . "We look forward to having Glen apply his extensive packaging industry knowledge and proven management skills to secure and expand Delkor's position within the very top tier of end-of-line automation providers, said Dale Andersen, Delkor's President CEO, in making the announcement. "I personally look forward," continued Andersen, "to working with Glen to devise and implement strategies that realize our company's vision: Delkor is a trusted provider to our customers of dependable, innovative packaging solutions that deliver value."

Long joins Delkor after an extensive career within the packaging industry, highlighted by senior management positions at INEX Vision Systems, Packaging Technologies, and BWI Fords Holmatic.

Glen has also been a strong and progressive leader within the Packaging Machinery Manufacturers Institute (PMMI) trade association, serving as PMMI Chairman in 1996 and by chairing several important PMMI committees, including Education and Global Marketing. Long currently is a member of the PMMI President's Advisory Council.

Delkor Systems, Inc. is a leading North American manufacturer of end-of-line packaging systems, with innovative solutions to automatically form, load, inspect, wrap and seal end-of-line packaging trays, cartons and cases. Delkor designs practical solutions that enable customers to become lower-cost producers through the application of automation, robotics and other packaging line efficiencies. For more than thirty years, Delkor has provided high-quality, innovative end-of-line packaging machines that deliver these benefits. Visit the Delkor Systems web site at www.delkorsystems.com

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Excellence in Workplace Safety Recognized as 2009 Saxcies Award Winners Named

Two companies and three individuals have been recognized for leadership and excellence at an annual international competition designed to reward workplace health and safety champions. The 15,000-member SafetyXChange.org community released its 2009 Saxcies global safety awards on June 30, 2009 at <http://www.safetyxchange.org/saxcies-video>. The winners and finalists - people and organizations who dedicate their lives to keeping others safe - are detailed here.

Seattle, WA (PRWEB) July 3, 2009 -- Two companies and three individuals have been recognized for leadership and excellence at an annual international competition designed to reward workplace health and safety champions.

The 15,000-member SafetyXChange.org community released its annual Saxcies global safety awards on June 30, 2009 at the [SafetyXChange Video Saxcies Awards](#) website. Here are the winners:

For corporate leadership and commitment to safety as a business imperative, [Ward Manufacturing](#) received the highest recognition: The Henshaw Award for Corporate Leadership in Safety. "Based upon strong corporate leadership, the company has demonstrated they recognize the value of their workers and the preservation of their health and safety. With the implementation of effective management systems, they have achieved significant improvement in injury and illness rates - well below industry averages," said John Henshaw.

James "Skipper" Kendrick, Director of EHS Training at Textron Inc., was named Safety Trainer of the Year for continuing excellence in the field of safety training. Skipper has pioneered the use of both the web and video at Textron to broadly deliver effective safety messages - and results. One video, titled "Safety Starts with Me", included Textron's CEO, was translated into 9 languages, and was viewed by almost all Textron employees, with over 26,000 worldwide downloads.

Robert Duckworth, Senior Manager of HSE at Fluor Corporation was awarded Safety Hero of the Year for his heroic efforts in rescuing four teenagers from a vehicle that had slid into a 60-foot deep snow-covered embankment. Not only did Duckworth choose to stop that day, but remained to assist in the extrication and stabilization of the injured, all of whom have made full recoveries.

Lauryn Franzoni, Vice President and Executive Director of ExecuNet, received the SafetyXChange Contributor of the Year Award for her outstanding commitment to SafetyXChange. Nominated and selected by members of the SafetyXChange community, her contributions are estimated to include over 150 articles, with advice and information to readers focused on the intersection of safety, careers, and management.

[Russell Construction](#) was awarded Safety Program of the Year for excellence in safety program development, demonstrated by efforts starting in 2006 to establish a "zero-injury safety culture" throughout the organization. The results have been outstanding, with the company surpassing 1,000,000 consecutive man-hours without a lost-time injury.



Details of the winners' achievements, as well as the achievements of all 2009 nominees, can be found on the Saxcies webpage at the [Saxcies Finalists' Site](#).

The Saxcies Recognize Those Behind the Scenes

With the Saxcies, SafetyXChange.org has created the only international safety industry awards program that honors both individuals and organizations for outstanding achievement in occupational health and safety.

"The Saxcies aren't like other awards ceremonies," says Glenn Demby, Editor-in-Chief of SafetyXChange. "We don't bestow honors on actors, singers, athletes or any of those other figures who get their fair share of the world's attention. The men and women we honor ply their trade behind the scenes. Their names, faces and accomplishments are often unknown."

According to Demby, the safety professional is not out for recognition. "On the contrary," he stresses, "a safety professional fully understands that obscurity is the reward for a job well done. After all, if a safety director's picture appears on the news, it's almost always because something went terribly wrong."

Recognition, though, is long overdue. "The world would be a much better place if we took a moment to recognize safety professionals for their success and stopped to reflect how much that success means not only to us but the people we love," says Demby. "And that's why we created the Saxcies."

About the Award

Saxcies award recipients are presented with a replica of a helmet worn by the warriors of the Greek city-state of Corinth in approximately 500 BC. "The helmet symbolizes civic commitment and a pledge to sacrifice for the security of the community," explains Demby. "It's also a symbol of enlightenment that artists of the time displayed in their depictions of Ancient Greece's leading thinkers, including Socrates, Plato and Aristotle."

About SafetyXChange.org

SafetyXChange.org has committed itself to fostering an active, international community that promotes and shares fresh thinking and insight on workplace safety issues. Approximately 15,000 members participate in the community, receive free daily e-newsletters and access more than 1,500 articles and tools in the community's archives. Additional information about SafetyXChange.org and the Saxcies is available at [SafetyXChange.org](#).

SafetyXChange.org and the Saxcies awards are presented by Bongarde Safety. Additional information about Bongarde Safety is available at the [Bongarde Safety website](#).

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Breyden Products Announces New Expandable Sleeving Product Line

Breyden Products is pleased to announce the launch of its new line of expandable sleeving for the electrical apparatus, wire harnessing and aerospace industries

Columbia City, IN (PRWEB) July 2, 2009 -- Breyden Products is pleased to announce the launch of its new line of expandable sleeving for the electrical apparatus, wire harnessing and aerospace industries. The new product will go by the trade name Breyflex. Breyden Products is offering this new line of expandable sleeving in sizes ranging from 1/8" to 2 1/2". The Breyflex expandable sleeving product line includes products manufactured from nylon, polyester, fire-retardant polyester, Halar and Nomex. The new product offering expands on the braided, woven and knitted textile products Breyden Products already offers to the electrical apparatus, wire harnessing and aerospace industries.

About Breyden Products

Breyden Products is a leading manufacturer of braided products for industry. Our product line includes lacing tapes, cords and expandable sleeving used in the electric motor and transformer industries as well as wire harnessing tapes, twines, cords and expandable sleeving used in the aerospace industry. Breyden Products provides products for a wide range of specifications. A partial listing of product specifications Breyden Products supplies products for are military specification numbers A-A-52080 (formerly Mil-T-43435 Type I), A-A-52081 (formerly Mil-T-43435 Type II), A-A-52082 (formerly Mil-T-43435 Type III), A-A-52083 (formerly Mil-T-43435 Type IV), A-A-52084 (formerly Mil-T-43435 Type V) and Mil-C-572 and Mil-T-713 Type P as well as Boeing MMS833 and Lockheed C8846. Breyden Products provides products made from nylon, polyester, Teflon, fiberglass, Nomex, Halar and Kevlar with various coating finishes and colors.

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Leading Carton Sealer Manufacturer BestPack.Com Launches Free Refurb Program

Businesses need packaging equipment that are efficient and productive. With the help of carton sealers and case erectors, packing supplies will not be a problem. Carton sealers expert BestPack.com offers free support in refurbishing BestPack.com Tapeheads to aid establishments this month of June

Rancho Cucamonga, CA (PRWEB) July 2, 2009 -- Establishments such as restaurants and those that belong in the wholesale industry are in constant need of reliable and durable packaging equipment. It is important that carton sealers utilized are sturdy and made of only the highest quality material.

[Leading carton sealers specialist BestPack.com](#) is the answer to all businesses' packaging equipment solutions. Providing only top quality carton sealers, case erectors, and carton sealing tapes, BestPack guarantees clients cost effective, reliable and highly automated carton sealers, conveyers, stretch hooders, and even palletizers. Carton sealers with over 90 models to choose from, clients have a variety of carton sealing equipment to pick. Case erectors built for maximum versatility are also available for purchase.

To aid businesses to save more this month of June, BestPack is offering free support to all clients who will purchase BestPack Tapes. The global manufacturer of carton sealers and case erectors is offering a free refurb program for all who have purchased [BestPack tapeheads](#). With this program, establishments can save as much as \$200 per tapehead - money which can be used for other cost-efficient products such as carton sealing tapes, case erectors, and acrylic tapes.

As the industry's leader in packaging equipment solutions such as carton sealing tapes, case erectors, and carton sealers, BestPack.com has provided the cosmetics, dry goods, food packaging, and medical packaging industries packaging system solutions that are only top-of-the-line. BestPack also provides installation and training to maximize productivity and cost-efficiency. Call 888.588.2378 ext 123 immediately, and ask for Pat Brennan or simply [sign up with the newsletter](#) to be updated of the latest promotions BestPack.com has to offer.

About BestPack.Com

Based in Rancho Cucamonga, CA, BestPack.Com is the industry's leader in packaging equipment machinery, carton sealers, carton erectors and carton sealing tapes. Also providing customized packaging solutions, BestPack.Com is the most reliable and dependable manufacturer of all product packaging systems. Press release produced by [Cybertegetic.com](#) - an Internet marketing services agency that specializes in search engine optimized press release marketing (SEO marketing).

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New Soft Paste-Type Thermal Gel from AAC Features Excellent Thermal Conductivity for Electronic Component Applications

New Soft Paste-Type Thermal Gel from AAC Features Excellent Thermal Conductivity for Electronic Component Applications.

New Hyde Park, NY (PRWEB) July 2, 2009 -- New soft paste-type thermal gel from Advanced Antivibration Components - AAC features excellent thermal conductivity up to 6.5W/m • K. This RoHS controlled substance is used to fill gaps around heat sources such as high-performance semiconductors. Other applications involve surface, underside, and lead heat sources such as IC's. The paste is most popular for use where it is difficult to fix sheet-type thermal gel. These applications include: computer internal components, power supplies, power transistors, and other heat producing components.

There are 3 types of gels, identified as the V30Z63MDP... Series, which come in a syringe to make for easier application of the gel. High specific volume resistance ratio up to 7.2x10¹⁴ W • cm. Low dissipation factor down to 0.0004 at 1MHz. High breakdown voltage up to 9.6 kv/mm. They contain nothing harmful and are therefore considered environment-friendly. At the AAC eStore you can check price and availability, place an online order, download 3-D models, or request a quote at anytime.

Additional technical specifications are contained in Catalog V110 available free upon request from Advanced Antivibration Components - AAC, 2101 Jericho Turnpike, Box 5416, New Hyde Park, New York 11042-5416. Phone: 516-328-3662. Fax: 516-328-3365

Web: http://vibrationmounts.com/NewProducts/Thermal_Gel.htm

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EconomyInCrisis.org Interviews Author Eamonn Fingleton

EconomyInCrisis.org is a news blog dedicated to educating the American public in regards to the destruction of our country's industrial base. In an interview with EconomyInCrisis.org, author and journalist Eamonn Fingleton discusses the U.S. economy, U.S. politics, and the ways in which America can reassert itself in the mist of this economic recession. Fingleton has written extensively on East Asian and global issues for the The Atlantic Magazine, The Harvard Business Review, The New York Times, and The Washington Post.

Dublin, Ohio (PRWEB) July 1, 2009 -- EconomyInCrisis.org is a news blog dedicated to educating the American public regarding the destruction of our country's industrial base, the impact it has on national and economic security, and its effects on our standard of living. We publish critical but overlooked facts and figures, keeping our readers up-to-date with daily articles regarding the U.S. economy.

In an interview with EconomyInCrisis.org, Eamonn Fingleton talks about the U.S. economy, covering topics spanning U.S. politics, potential solutions and the outcome facing America and its citizens if our economic direction does not change. These interviews will be released in six spots on EconomyInCrisis.org with a new segment featured everyday from June 30 through July 4, 2009.

Eamonn Fingleton is the author of *In the Jaws of the Dragon: America's Fate in the Coming Era of Chinese Hegemony*. He is also a former editor for the Financial Times and Forbes. Fingleton has written extensively on East Asian and global issues for The Atlantic Magazine, The Harvard Business Review, The New York Times and The Washington Post.

Fingleton has interviewed many of the world's most prominent news sources -- not just notable business figures such as Rupert Murdoch, Lou Gerstner, Warren Buffett, Sanford Weill, Peter Lynch, and Donald Trump but fundamental economic thinkers such as Robert Solow, Paul Samuelson, James Tobin, Milton Friedman, Friedrich von Hayek, and C. Northcote Parkinson. His work has been read into the record of the U.S. Senate by Senator Ernest F. Hollings and has been commended by, among others, James Fallows, Pat Choate, John Kenneth Galbraith, Ralph Nader, Roger Milliken, Robert Heller, and Chalmers Johnson.

To see the first in the series of six videos, [click here](#).

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Prodigy® PCI Programmable Motion Cards with Ethernet Connectivity

PMD announces the newest addition to its latest advancement in the Prodigy® family of motion cards, the Prodigy/CME PCI card. The new programmable PCI card provides machine designers the capability to download and run motion programs directly on the cards. This new capability off-loads the PC host and increases the flexibility to distribute motion programs throughout the machine.

Lincoln, MA (PRWEB) July 1, 2009 -- Performance Motion Devices, Inc. (PMD) announces the newest addition to its latest advancement in the Prodigy® family of motion cards, the [Prodigy/CME PCI card](#). Just like PMD's [PC/104](#) and [Stand-Alone](#) card options, the new programmable PCI card provides machine designers the capability to download and run motion programs directly on the cards. This new capability off-loads the PC host and increases the flexibility to distribute motion programs throughout the machine.

The Prodigy/CME PCI card is an ideal solution for demanding scientific, automation, industrial, and robotic applications. These motion control cards support multiple motor types, including DC brush, brushless DC, microstepping, and step motors. Prodigy/CME PCI cards are available in 1, 2, 3, and 4-axis versions and are designed in surface mount technology. PMD's development software ships with each card, and includes Pro-Motion® GUI, C-Motion® API, and VB-Motion®.

C-Motion® Engine

Programming is made easy with C-Motion®, a source code library of motion commands for development of C/C++ programs that run on the Prodigy Motion Cards. PMD's C-Motion® Engine stores and independently runs the downloaded motion control code on the Prodigy Motion Cards.

Prodigy cards provide high performance board-level motion control for scientific, industrial, robotic, and general purpose automation applications. These cards support multiple motor types including DC brush, brushless DC, step, and microstepping motors, and are available in 1, 2, 3, and 4-axis versions. Based on PMD's industry leading Magellan® Motion Processor, the Prodigy cards provide user-selectable profile modes including S-curve, trapezoidal, velocity contouring, and electronic gearing. Servo loop compensation utilizes a full 32-bit position error, PID with velocity and acceleration feedforward, integration limit and dual biquad filters for sophisticated control of complex loads. Prodigy Motion Cards come with serial, CAN and Ethernet communications options. The new motion cards are available in OEM quantities starting at \$575.

Features:

- Board-level C-Motion program execution
- Uses PMD's advanced Magellan Motion Control IC
- High-speed servo loop rate: 50 µsec/axis
- Available in 1, 2, 3, & 4 axis versions with user selectable motor type by axis
- C-Motion® Engine peak performance : 96 MIPS with 256kB of code space
- High-speed motion trace for servo tuning diagnostics (up to 64 KB)



- S-curve, trapezoidal, electronic gearing, and user-generated profile modes
- Motor Command: 16-bit analog, pulse & direction, PWM
- Incremental and parallel encoder input
- Dual loop encoder feature
- PID filter with velocity and acceleration feedforward and dual biquad filters

Prodigy I/O

- 2 limit switch inputs / axis
- 2 high speed capture inputs / axis
- 1 dedicated output / axis
- 8 general purpose digital inputs
- 8 general purpose digital outputs
- 8 general purpose analog inputs

About PMD:

[Performance Motion Devices, Inc \(PMD\)](#) provides OEMs worldwide with innovative, high performance chip, card, and drive-based motion control solutions. With over 2.5 million installed axes, PMD has the motion control expertise to simplify customer's designs and lower overall costs. PMD products are used to control brush, brushless and stepping motors in the medical, commercial and industrial markets.

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Brush Research Debuts New 3D Graphic, Flex-Hone Video

Video shows how and why the flexible ball-style honing tool excels for metal finishing, deburring, edge-blending, and adhesive bonding applications.

(PRWEB) July 1, 2009 -- For metal finishing, deburring, and edge-blending applications, the patented Flex-Hone[®], flexible ball-style [honing tool](#) is hard to beat. Now a new 3D graphic video by Brush Research Manufacturing, a leader in metal finishing brush technology since 1958, shows why the flexible hone has become the "go to" metal surface finishing tool, whether for full-scale automated production or for hand drill use by home hobbyists.

Produced with cutting edge computer graphics, the video demonstrates the usage and benefits of Brush Research Manufacturing's proprietary Flex-Hone tool, along with insight into the many potential applications for the product. The video graphically demonstrates with 3D animation why no other honing tool can as easily, quickly and affordably create the microstructure finish necessary to maximize performance and extend the life of parts and products.

Brush Research Manufacturing has been in the business of solving difficult finishing problems with abrasive technology since 1958. However, it was the introduction of the Flex-Hone tool in 1972 that is considered the company's crowning achievement.

The patented and proprietary Flex-Hone is a resilient, flexible, honing tool with a soft cutting action. The abrasive globules are bonded to the ends of flexible nylon filaments. Each have independent suspension that assures the Flex-Hone to be self-centering, self-aligning to the bore and self-compensating for wear.

With the vast array of sizes and abrasives and Brush Research's ability to custom manufacture these flexible [honing tools](#), the applications are virtually unlimited.

The video, in part, is designed to illustrate the myriad of possibilities for the product in automotive, defense, agriculture, transport, and commercial industries for applications ranging from gas, diesel, aircraft, and marine engines; to pneumatic and hydraulic cylinders; to rail, farm and land equipment; to firearms, musical instruments, and golf club re-shafting.

In the automotive industry, for example, the surface profile readout of a conventionally honed engine cylinder can indicate a finish with many sharp ridges and severely torn and folded metal. After only seconds of applying the flexible hone, an ideal surface wall with 20% to 40% valleys for oil retention enables immediate piston ring seating. The cross-hatched surface provides the desired lubrication distribution, control and retention, assuring a long-lasting, long-wearing surface.

For hydraulic cylinder applications, where tight tolerances in surface finish are crucial for sealing, the flexible hone can remove the peaks produced by prior machining to produce a nearly flat "plateau finish" while retaining the valleys for oil retention.



Where deburring of cross-drilled holes can be expensive and time-consuming, the flexible hone makes it easy to remove burrs from cross-drilled holes, leaving a clean, radiused intersection.

The Flex-Hone is available in miniature sizes as small as 4 mm. (0.156 in.) and as large as 36 in. for large bore cylinders or pipes.

To view the new video, visit www.brushresearch.com/videos.php.

Brush Research Manufacturing, an ISO 9001:2008 certified company, is a full line manufacturer of industrial brushes including wheel, end, cup, encapsulated, copper center, mandrel mounted. Twisted-in-wire brushes are also manufactured for thread cleaning, cross hole deburring, tube, and flue applications. Custom [honing tool](#) and miniature deburring brush solutions are available.

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Aftercad Announces Signup for the 3D Workspace Beta

Aftercad Software is pleased to announce the Beta signup for its ground breaking 3D Workspace for collaboration in Digital Prototyping and Building Information Modeling (BIM) projects.

Vancouver, BC (PRWEB) July 1, 2009 -- Aftercad Software is pleased to announce the Beta signup for its ground breaking 3D Workspace for collaboration in Digital Prototyping and Building Information Modeling (BIM) projects.

The Aftercad 3D Workspace is a Software as a Service (SaaS) offering that allows businesses to upload, view, mark-up, manage and publish large and complex 3D CAD files onto the web, without the need for proprietary viewers, providing easy and instant access to 3D project information by non-CAD professionals.

"With the development of the 3D Workspace Beta we have achieved our goal of bringing a complete online file system to our customers so that they can collaborate on all project documents including stunning 3D visuals," said Chris Boothroyd, CEO of Aftercad. "The goal of the 3D Workspace is to quickly centralize, visualize and annotate what it is you are trying to build so that your clients can come to decisions faster and easier. Each 3D Workspace has its own secure online file system, event notification and sharing tools so that you can easily invite clients or partners to collaborate with you on a 3D project."

Setting up a 3D Workspace is all done through the browser in minutes. Workspace share invites and login instructions are sent out via e-mail to all participants. Participants can easily upload relevant documentation, plans and 3D models into the workspace and convert the 3D files into stunning visuals that don't require any special software or training to view and make notes on. Everything that happens in the workspace is monitored and members are notified of the workspace events of interest to them like viewing, uploading, downloading and new notes.

These features are designed to save time and money right away and are a great convenience to users. By quickly aggregating the project details and files into the workspace users can retain sales momentum and keep their client engaged in a simple browser based environment that can be accessed 24x7 from anywhere. The 3D Workspace is focused on helping clients see all the details, which helps them make decisions.

To participate in the 3D Workspace Beta, simply go to www.aftercadonline.com and sign up. Each participant will be notified once the 3D Workspace Beta has been released.

About Aftercad Software

Aftercad is a leading provider of innovative products and solutions that enable the viewing and publishing of complex 3D data sets over the web. Aftercad allows organizations to publish, share, annotate and manage 3D CAD data for Manufacturing, Building Information Modeling and Infrastructure Planning.

For more information, visit <http://www.aftercadonline.com/>



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Asia Debut for Money-Saving Pharma-Packaging Machines from Ireland

The Northern Irish packaging machinery manufacturer, Sepha Ltd. is breaking into one of the world's largest pharmaceutical markets, Japan, by showcasing its money-saving, [leak testing](#) and [de-blistering](#) machines for the first time there at the world's largest pharmaceutical event in Tokyo on 1-3 July. Ahead of its presence at Interphex, Sepha has already received very positive feedback from Japanese pharmaceutical manufacturers during a fact-finding mission and believe it is the right time to forge ahead with its presence there.

(Vocus) June 30, 2009 -- The Northern Irish packaging machinery manufacturer, Sepha Ltd. is breaking into one of the world's largest pharmaceutical markets, Japan, by showcasing its money-saving, [leak testing](#) and [de-blistering](#) machines there for the first time at the world's largest pharmaceutical event in Tokyo on 1-3 July. Ahead of its presence at Interphex, Sepha has already received very positive feedback from Japanese pharmaceutical manufacturers during a fact-finding mission and believe it is the right time to forge ahead with its presence there.

Sepha CEO Aubrey Sayers explains: "As the economic downturn forces global consolidation of the pharmaceutical industry and puts the focus on projects that achieve cost savings and a quick return in investment, we believe the time is right to introduce BlisterScan in Asia. This is an innovative [leak-testing](#) machine that tests for leaks in blister-packs of drugs without the need for pack disposal after testing. This reduces waste and saves the pharmaceutical company time and money - factors that are becoming increasingly important within the pharmaceutical industry. We have something unique to offer and Interphex is the ideal opportunity for people to see it in action."

BlisterScan can detect and locate leaks as small as 7 microns across a full cross-section of the entire blister web. Blister packs are scanned by a beam of light both before and after a vacuum is applied. The difference between these scan readings is used to calculate the size of the hole in the blister pack. It identifies the precise pocket which leaks - ideal for testing alongside blister lines to speed up diagnosis of any problems and preventing the production of excess rejects. It is a non-destructive, clean, dry process so any packs that pass the test can be returned to the production line. Packs that fail the test can have the contents removed for repackaging using one of Sepha's [de-blistering](#) machines. The alternative Methylene blue dye test by comparison renders any tested blister packs unsaleable.

Operators have no influence over the results of the BlisterScan test as the Pass or Fail status of each pocket is shown on the screen, and can be printed out or saved. BlisterScan can be fully validated, unlike the Blue Dye test where operator has to make a subjective decision whether a pack passes or fails.

Sepha will also be introducing Press-Out Manual Wide -- a small, portable, manual [de-blistering](#) machine that is suitable for in-line and diagonal push-through blister packs. It does not have any tooling to change over and only takes about 3 minutes to set up for a new blister pack. It can de-blister up to 20 packs per minute and is operated manually by a handle.



Background Information about Sepha Ltd:

Sepha is a specialist manufacturer of non-destructive inspection equipment for inspecting the seal integrity of pharmaceutical and medical device blister packs. Sepha also designs and manufactures a range of deblistering equipment for product recovery from pharmaceutical blisters and lab-scale blister packing machines for clinical trial use. For further information see www.sepha.com

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Heavy Equipment Manufacturers Seek Solutions to Achieve Tier 4 and Euro VI Emissions Standards

As Deadlines Loom Companies Look to Upfront CFD to Identify Engineering Solutions

Charlottesville, VA (PRWEB) June 30, 2009 -- Tier 4 and Euro VI regulations are topics that are currently weighing on the minds of design engineers in the heavy equipment industry. As the core number of deadlines begin to arrive over the next 3 to 4 years for reaching new strict regulations to significantly reduce NOx, particulate Matter (PM), and carbon monoxide (CM), companies globally are scrambling to find ways to adapt existing designs or redesign diesel engine systems of off-highway vehicles. Achieving these extremely reduced emissions is not just a nice to have on a list of objectives, it is a matter of staying in business.

To reach this goal, engineering teams are exploring ways to reject engine heat before exhaust escapes the tailpipe, as lower exhaust temperatures result in less hazardous emissions. There are several approaches that heavy equipment manufacturers are taking to lower exhaust temperatures, which include core optimization and engine packaging redesign. For companies focused on these two methods, upfront computational fluid dynamics (CFD) can be a significant help to speed up and optimize their design process.

Several leading manufacturers under significant pressure to meet the compliance deadlines have already turned to upfront CFD to help them optimize their engine designs. Companies such as [Volvo](#), [Caterpillar](#), and [Manitowoc Crane](#) have enlisted the assistance of [CFdesign Consulting Services](#), who helped the companies quickly find solutions to meet these requirements. In those cases CFdesign helped the manufacturers reach more viable design solutions within weeks, getting them one step closer to meeting their emissions objectives.

Upfront CFD helps companies simulate air flow and heat transfer issues to identify how to reduce overall exhaust temperatures. Design studies can be created to compare different design scenarios to, for example, determine the ideal number and location of cores (such as the radiator, charged air cooler, oil cooler, etc.) or maximize throughput of airflow. Additionally, companies focused on engine packaging redesign can use the simulation capabilities to determine places to add baffles or explore how to best place components within a limited space. Overall, upfront CFD can reduce the time investment of engineering teams in solving this challenging problem, allowing for multiple iterations of designs before physical prototyping and providing confidence in the final solution to achieve requirements.

The livelihood of heavy equipment companies is at stake if they are not able to achieve the substantial emissions reductions by the set deadlines, so the pressure is on to identify technologies such as upfront CFD that can help them address these important issues quickly and efficiently. For companies still searching for ways to meet the [Tier 4](#) and [Euro VI](#) deadlines, the CFdesign Consulting Services team can be the answer they have been searching for, as the team has the flow, thermal management, and CAD experience needed to assist companies in identifying the best way to achieve their goals.

For further information on CFdesign upfront CFD software or CFdesign consulting services visit: <http://www.cfdesign.com>.



About Blue Ridge Numerics:

Blue Ridge Numerics, Inc. is the fastest-growing CFD software company in the world and consistently ranked among the fastest-growing technology companies in North America. The company's CFdesign upfront CFD software integrates comprehensive fluid-flow and heat-transfer simulation into early phases of design and engineering, when companies can dramatically improve product quality, time-to-market, and ultimately profitability through the product life cycle. Learn more at www.cfdesign.com.

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Robert Bürkle GmbH Wins Acclaim for "Cleantech" UV-LED Dryer for Wood Products Based on Phoseon SLM Technology at LIGNA 2009

Curing of UV Wood Coatings using Phoseon's SLM™ UV Curing technology based on UV-LED and coatings technology from Tikkurila Coatings Oy has significant process and environmental advantages.

Hillsboro, Ore. (PRWEB) June 29, 2009 -- LIGNA is the world's leading trade exhibition for the wood products industry and the 2009 edition was held recently in Hannover, Germany. The LIGNA exhibit and the associated new technology symposium focused on "making more out of wood - technology for resource efficiency" and many of the exhibitors and presenters focused on resource efficiency issues.

Robert Bürkle GmbH of Germany showed its [UV-LED](#) drying demonstration which was produced in co-operation with the industrial coatings group of Tikkurila Oy of Finland and [Phoseon Technology](#) on the use of [UV-LED drying technology](#) for the curing of base coats and top coats onto roller coated wood components such as doors and furniture pieces.

The [UV-LED drying solution](#) was awarded two certificates - one was a special award for best demonstration of "resource efficiency" and the other was a second place award for "outstanding new technology".

The UV-LED drying technology is designed using [Phoseon's Semiconductor Light Matrix \(SLM™\) technology](#) which combines a dense array of light emitting semiconductor devices (UV-LED), with high tech micro optics and micro cooling in a cost-effective MOEMS (micro opto electro-mechanical system) package. SLM™ Technology offers important advantages to the coatings market including significantly reduced energy consumption, very low amounts of heat at the work surface, and very long lifetimes. These advantages, and others, are all available at comparable cost of ownership to existing solutions.

In addition to a line of standard UV-LED based curing products, Phoseon also offers a wide variety of [custom OEM or private label solutions](#) based on specific project requirements. Phoseon can customize their products into a wide range of shapes and sizes to accommodate diverse UV curing applications.

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Stainless Steel Bevel Gears from QTC Are Stocked in 24 Sizes in Modules 1.5~3

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Garden City Park, NY (PRWEB) June 29, 2009 -- Precision 20° pressure angle stainless steel bevel gears from Quality Transmission Components are stocked in 24 sizes in modules 1.5~3. These gears, identified as the SUB Series, are made of SUS303 and conform to precision grade JIS B 1704 grade 3 standards. They are stocked in sizes ranging from Module 1.5 to Module 3. Number of teeth range from 15 to 45. Bore sizes range from 8 mm to 20 mm and hub diameters from 25 mm to 80 mm. In addition to these stainless steel bevel gears QTC stocks a wide variety of bevel gears in other materials including: plastic, injection molded, sintered metal, steel, and in specialized types including: Bevel gears and pinion shafts, finished bore, and spiral bevel gear types.

At the new QTC eStore you can get immediate quotes, download 3D models, and place online orders. Go to: <http://www.qtcgears.com/RFQ/default2.asp>

Other power transmission solutions provided by QTC include over 9,000 off-the-shelf timing belt pulleys, belts, belt and roller chain tensioners and other components for prototypes and production applications.

Complete technical specifications are contained in catalog Q420, which is available to users of metric gears free upon request from Quality Transmission Components, Division of Designatronics, Inc., 125 Railroad Avenue, Garden City Park, NY 11040-5016. Phone: 516-437-6700 Fax: 516-328-3343.

Web: <http://www.qtcgears.com/QTCPress/SSBevelGears.htm>

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Solo Horton Expands Tube Cleaning Brushes Portfolio

Leading industrial brush company offers extensive inventory of manual and power-driven tube cleaning brushes that tackle the interior surfaces of tubes, internal threads and drilled holes.

Torrington, CT (PRWEB) June 28, 2009 -- Solo Horton Brushes, a leading supplier of industrial brushes, today announced its expanded line of [tube cleaning brushes](#). Also called flue brushes, bottle brushes, cylinder brushes and twisted wire brushes, these brushes are designed for long, strong service in cleaning, deburring, honing and edging jobs in cylinders and blind holes.

"For nearly 90 years, Solo Horton has set the standard for industrial, maintenance and production brushes," said L.J. Skeie, President of Solo Horton Brushes. "By continually expanding our value-based product portfolio, we are able to ensure that we have the right brush in-stock for the task at hand."

Solo Horton manual and power-driven tube cleaning brushes handle interior tasks with a range of materials -- from whisper-light for precision electronics, to strong and abrasive for tough slag removal. The company offers a full selection of manual operation tube cleaning brushes in a variety of materials including nylon, bristle, carbon steel, stainless steel and brass. For tougher cleaning or deburring jobs, opt for power-driven tube brushes - which are available in a range of diameters and a variety of materials including nylon, carbon steel, stainless steel and brass.

Tube brushes are perfect for cleaning the interior surfaces of all tubes, internal threads or drilled holes. While these brushes benefit many industries, typical tube cleaning brush users include electronic manufacturers, scientists and product designers.

About Solo Horton Brushes

Solo Horton has set the standard for industrial brushes since 1920. The company offers an extensive inventory of industrial brushes, including tube cleaning brushes, paint and chip brushes, artist brushes, chip brushes, and more, that blend quality and economy at every price level. All industrial brushes are in-stock and ready for immediate shipment. Quantity discounts and free shipping are available. For more information, visit solobrushes.com or call 1-800-969-7656.

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Weaker Pound Makes TestLink Refurbished ATMs The Smart Buy

More banks and ATM deployers are buying refurbished ATMs from TestLink in the UK and Czech Republic because the strong euro and US dollar are helping them to make even greater savings than usual. Used ATM machines refurbished by TestLink to 'as-new' condition cost up to 70 per cent less than equivalent new ATMs. Those savings are being underpinned by the strength of the euro and the dollar compared with the British pound. TestLink ATM Sales Manager Andrew French said: "On average, customers outside the UK are saving up to 30 per cent due to the weakened pound and exchange rates."

Poole, Dorset (PRWEB) June 26, 2009 -- More banks and ATM deployers are buying refurbished ATMs from TestLink in the UK and Czech Republic because the strong euro and US dollar are helping them to make even greater savings than usual.

Used ATM machines refurbished by TestLink to 'as-new' condition cost up to 70 per cent less than equivalent new ATMs. Those savings are being underpinned by the strength of the euro and the dollar compared with the British pound.

TestLink ATM Sales Manager Andrew French said: "On average, customers outside the UK are saving up to 30 per cent due to the weakened pound and exchange rates.

"These conditions will change so customers need to act fast and save as much as possible."

Banks and ATM deployers who buy used ATMs from TestLink find them as reliable -- if not more reliable -- than new ATMs because they have been stripped down and meticulously remanufactured part by part. Each refurbished ATM undergoes a strict 210-point quality inspection before leaving TestLink's technical facilities in the UK and Czech Republic.

Mr French said: "Refurbished ATMs will always be the smart option because they are as reliable as new machines and cost less than half the price. The strong euro and dollar have been making that option even smarter because of the highly competitive position of the pound."

Refurbished ATMs are good for the environment because many used ATM parts and modules would have ended up in landfill, had they not been remanufactured by TestLink.

Each refurbished ATM can also be upgraded and branded to clients' specific requirements by TestLink.

ATM anti-skimming kits are a favourite upgrade, as are ATM cassette locking bar kits to protect currency cassettes.

TestLink is experiencing increasing demand for the range of Card Protection Kit+ (CPK+) ATM anti-skimming devices that it supplies.



High profile outbreaks of ATM skimming in Australia and the USA have focused attention on the need for better ATM anti-skimming solutions.

Card Protection Kit+ (CPK+) is a tried and tested countermeasure against all forms of ATM skimming devices.

Users include Deutsche Bank, Barclays, Citibank, HSBC, Lloyds TSB, Royal Bank of Scotland and all banks in Luxembourg and Norway.

CPK+ is invisible from the outside of each ATM, takes under an hour to install and covers all ATM models including NCR, Wincor Nixdorf, Triton and Diebold. Options include silent alarms.

TestLink has 20 years of experience in the remanufacture and upgrading of ATMs. The company operates to ISO9000 and ISO14001 quality standards and has an ethical environmental policy.

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TestLink - Cutting Costs By Innovating Service

TestLink Services Ltd is an independent company specialising in ATM remanufacture, ATM refurbishment and ATM asset & estate management - benefiting the global environment by increasing the reuse and recycling of automated banking equipment and reducing ATM-related waste.

ATM operators and third party manufacturers across the world can cut costs by up to 70 per cent by purchasing ATMs remanufactured by TestLink to 'as-new' condition.

TestLink has 20 years of experience providing repairs to the leading ATM OEMs and maintenance organisations. The company has a capability across NCR, Wincor and Triton ATMs on all module types.

TestLink engineers strip each ATM down to its individual components, painstakingly rebuilding each module for maximum operational efficiency and longevity of service.

Each refurbished ATM undergoes a detailed 210-point inspection at TestLink before being shipped with delivery from just seven days.

Services provided by TestLink include:

- ATM asset & estate management with detailed reports on how well your ATMs are functioning, recommended servicing and preventative maintenance, modules and parts inventory. Reports include the performance of external non-TestLink engineers and whether they need ATM training to improve productivity
- ATM inventory management - sophisticated systems with online visibility of your inventory and its movements; secure storage of modules and parts; secure disposal of old or obsolete parts and modules to UK Ministry of Defence standards
- ATM parts repair - fast turnaround time; online status system; premium quality parts; obsolete parts support; direct to site international shipment by advance exchange
- ATM cassettes (NCR, Wincor, Fujitsu) - supply of refurbished ATM cassettes; repair and refurbishment of ATM cassettes; testing and configuration of ATM cassettes
- supply of hand-portable ATM test equipment for NCR ATM cassettes
- ATM security - anti-ramming, anti-skimming and cassette locking bar systems
- mobile computer support to the corporate sector, repairing OEM products both inside and outside warranty
- mobile computer support to SMEs and individual computer users via TestLink's dedicated Web site www.laptopsupport.co.uk
- specialised Chip & PIN terminal repairs on behalf of banks and third party maintenance organisations; refurbishing chip and pin devices to as-new condition.

TestLink serves its global markets from two fully resourced repair centres in the UK and the Czech Republic. Many of the 120 staff have direct OEM experience gained as engineers at ATM manufacturers NCR and Wincor.

TestLink was founded in 1989. It is still managed by its two founders, Chairman Nick Beer and Managing



Director Greg Hughes.

The company operates to ISO9000 quality systems and ISO14001 environmental systems standards with an ethical environmental policy.

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Gearworks and Visible Asset Launch Wireless Initiative with AIS Construction Equipment

Heavy Equipment Dealer Utilizes etrace® Mobile Workforce Management Solution to Lower Costs, Increase Sales

Minneapolis, MN (PRWEB) June 25, 2009 -- [Gearworks](#), a leading provider of location-based mobile business applications, and [Visible Asset, LLC](#), a Michigan-based software integrator, today announced AIS Construction Equipment has implemented Gearworks' etrace® mobile workforce management solution throughout the state of Michigan.

AIS Equipment is a dealer for several heavy equipment manufacturers that has recently implemented etrace throughout its workforce -- seven offices, 47 field technicians and 36 dispatchers and managers. The wireless initiative is designed to improve service efficiency and lower overall costs.

"Providing the highest level of responsiveness to customers is a hallmark of our business model," says Jon Hoffman, general services manager for AIS Construction Equipment. "etrace allows our supervisors to know exactly where each job stands and simplifies the paper work for our mobile workers. We can now create accurate invoices on-demand and target specific areas we want to improve. etrace has freed up an average of two hours per day for each worker, and has saved our organization more than \$300,000 in the past year."

etrace, a secure wireless and Web-based mobile workforce management solution, enables enterprises to supervise and optimize their personnel and activities in the field as easily as they do in the office. The simple, yet powerful tool allows workers to punch in/out for shifts and enter job information right into their handset to eliminate paperwork, increase accuracy and improve customer response time.

"For companies like AIS Construction Equipment, getting timely and useful information to workers in the field is essential to establishing long-term customer relations and securing return sales," said Rob Juncker, chief technology officer for Gearworks. "etrace enables AIS Construction Equipment to keep field workers up-to-speed by sending information directly to a technician's handset, while syncing all reporting from the field with back office applications to enhance its organizational efficiencies and improve overall output."

Using GPS capabilities of wireless phones, etrace allows technicians in the field to track data related to labor hours and mileage calculation in near real-time. The mobile workforce solution enables workers to enter repair notes into their handsets and print work orders before leaving the customer. The system also offers the benefit of sending email alerts to an AIS salesperson informing them of relevant sales opportunities, such as a piece of equipment that needs to be replaced.

Tailored specifically to fit the needs of AIS Construction Equipment, etrace constantly monitors data sent to the organization's mobile workers' etrace units. As a result, technicians can develop next-day invoices and easily generate copies of the finished work orders customers that receive.

For more information about how etrace can benefit your organization, contact Gearworks 1.888.4GW.SALE



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About Visible Asset

Visible Asset is a mobile computing systems integrator and custom software development company based in Wixom, Mich. With a "high-tech" consultative approach, Visible Asset provides custom Web and implementation services to enhance and simplify business reporting, time tracking, compliance paperwork and complex work orders. To learn more about Visible Asset, visit www.visibleasset.com.

About Gearworks

[Gearworks](#) provides the industry's leading carrier-class platform for location-based mobile business applications -- Appmosphere™. Appmosphere enables wireless carriers to deliver location-based business applications to market faster, software vendors to easily mobilize their applications, and enterprises to cost-effectively deploy custom applications to mobile workers through any wireless carrier on any mobile device. Appmosphere is the technology foundation for Gearworks' industry-leading mobile workforce management applications, including its etrace® product and other carrier-branded products. With Appmosphere and its applications, the company serves thousands of small- to medium-sized business and enterprise customers across a broad range of industries -- including healthcare, field service, home and store delivery, construction, utilities and government services.

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North American High Performance Ceramic Coatings Market to Reach \$1.8 Billion by 2012, According to New Report by Global Industry Analysts, Inc.

GIA announces the release of a comprehensive report on High Performance Ceramic Coatings market. High Performance Ceramic Coatings revenues in North America are projected to reach \$1.8 billion by the year 2012 driven by excellent advantages such as high resistance against corrosion and chemicals, high reflectivity, preventing diffusion of hydrogen and resistance against electricity.

San Jose, CA (PRWEB) June 25, 2009 -- [High Performance Ceramic Coatings](#) continues to gain momentum with heightened interest in utilization of these coatings. Usage of ceramic coatings span such diversified sectors as automotive, medicine, defense, aerospace, fiber-optic communications and environmental protection. Besides these applications, the ceramic coatings field is presently exploring the possibility of extending the scope and functionality to other varied applications. Increasing applications of advanced ceramics for a variety of uses is likely to drive the mature ceramics market and maintain the growth of the market.

[Thermal Spray](#) represents the largest segment in high performance ceramic coatings market. The technology segment is expected to retain its dominance by 2015. [Chemical Vapor Deposition \(CVD\)](#), the second largest technology segment, is losing its sheen, outshined by the growing popularity of other coating technologies. On the other hand, [Physical Vapor Deposition \(PVD\)](#) segment is expected to flaunt the fastest growth over the period 2006-2015.

North American high performance ceramic coatings market is highly fragmented and is characterized by the presence of key and niche players. Market participants include Accuwright Industries Inc., American Roller Company, APS Materials Inc., Aremco Products Inc., Cetek Limited, Cincinnati Thermal Spray Inc., Flame Spray Coating Company Inc., Honeywell International Inc., Heany Industries Inc., High Performance Coatings Inc., Materials and Electrochemical Research (MER) Corp., Praxair Surface Technologies Inc., Precision Coating Inc., and Sermatech International Inc, among other players.

"High Performance Ceramic Coatings - A North American Market Report" announced by Global Industry Analysts, Inc. provides a comprehensive review of market trends, drivers, product profile, players, competition, recent developments, mergers, acquisitions, and other strategic industry activities. Market analytics are provided in terms of technology types including Thermal Spray, Chemical Vapor Deposition, Physical Vapor Deposition and Other Coating Technologies in US\$ Million over the years 2006 through 2015.

For more details about this comprehensive market research report, please visit - http://www.strategyr.com/High_Performance_Ceramic_Coatings_Market_Report.asp

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Global Nondestructive Test Equipment Market to Reach \$1.2 Billion by 2015, According to New Report by Global Industry Analysts

GIA announces the release of a comprehensive global report on Nondestructive Test Equipment market. Demand drivers for testing equipment includes stringent industry product specifications and tight quality control requirements set by the manufacturers. The need to test components for their compliance with quality standards is likely to create demand and accelerate the growth of global Non-Destructive Test (NDT) equipment market to \$1.2 billion by 2015.

San Jose, CA (PRWEB) June 25, 2009 — Despite the topical financial meltdown, and the subsequent decline in inspection budgets particularly across oil and gas, and automotive industries, the global [nondestructive test equipment](#) market is poised to continue growth at a steady marginal rate through the next few years, driven by stringent quality standards. With customers increasingly concerned about residual lifetime of assets and production quality, interest in test solutions that identify defects and provide early warnings to avoid adverse consequences, is on the rise. The market acceptance, awareness and implementation of NDT are progressively increasing.

Global market for [surface inspection equipment](#) is growing steadily with European and North American producers representing the majority of end-users. The North American market for surface inspection equipment is expected to grow, primarily due to the demand for replacing the existing automated systems and equipment. The European market is also set to enhance its market share, as the manufacturing activity is being shifted from Western Europe to the Eastern part, thus resulting in a steady demand for the equipment. Asia-Pacific market, with its current potential as a production base of the world, is exhibiting tremendous growth, and is expected to continue with its growth for the next few years.

The NDT equipment market is rising and is experiencing rapid growth potential, with increasing quality and security standards in various industries. Power generation, particularly nuclear power generation, is a major market for ultrasonic inspection equipment, apart from aerospace & defense, automotive, and other end-use markets. Foundry and primary metal industries represent the most significant market for surface inspection equipment, while aerospace industry forms a major market for portable eddy current equipment. Lately, NDT market is shifting towards digital non-destructive test equipment to take advantage of improved inspection speed, particularly in radiography inspections.

Key participants in the global nondestructive test equipment market include American NDT, Centurion NDT, Extech Instruments, Faxitron X-Ray LLC, Foerster Instruments, GE Inspection Technologies, Gould-Bass Company, IBG NDT Systems Corporation, Insight NDT Equipment, intelligenceNTD Systems & Services GmbH, Lenox Instrument Company, Magnetic Analysis Corporation, Magwerks Corporation, Olympus NDT, Sonatest Limited, Sonix, Varian Medical Systems, YXLON International, and Zetec among others.

The report titled "Nondestructive Test Equipment: A Global Strategic Business Report" announced by Global Industry Analysts, Inc., provides a comprehensive review of world market trends and drivers, market sizing data, industry issues and challenges. The study presents extensive commentary on the NDT industry, product overview, new product introductions, recent industry activity, and key player profiles. The study offers market data analytics



in dollar terms for major regional markets such as US, Canada, Europe, Asia-Pacific (including Japan), and Rest of World. Product segments analyzed include Eddy Current Testing, Radiography, Surface Inspection, Ultrasonic Inspection, and Visual Inspection.

For more details about this comprehensive market research report, please visit - http://www.strategyr.com/Nondestructive_Test_Equipment_Market_Report.asp

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Roll-Kraft Launches New Website

Roll-Kraft introduces its new website with extended features, including activated buttons for instant requests and quick responses. Videos and testimonials also bring to life the actual processes of manufacturing tube & pipe and roll forming products.

Mentor, OH (PRWEB) June 25, 2009 -- [Roll-Kraft](#) has recently launched a totally new website. The new features include an instant request for quote button, along with [Dr. Resolve](#), who will write a prescription for remedies to problems with tube & pipe and roll forming tooling and equipment. There are also videos of mills and testimonials from customers. You can see what the customer has to say about Roll-Kraft products.

Roll-Kraft remains focused on continually improving methods and operations to allow for growth of the company. The new website is one way to make it easy to contact Roll-Kraft with questions and technical problems.

The [tube & pipe](#) and roll form tooling and equipment produced by Roll-Kraft is used in a wide variety of fields. Among them are roof and siding products, doors, furniture, wire, rack systems, framing, automotive products, highway, HVAC, appliances, and many others.

Roll-Kraft is known worldwide as the solutions provider of custom-designed tube mill and [roll form](#) tooling of steel or carbide; mill equipment, pre-notch/cut-off presses, hydraulic or pneumatic; cut-off jaws; weld boxes; turkshead rolls; straighteners, single-point adjustments, and more. Roll-Kraft is recognized as a full-service facility, with outstanding capabilities that include:

- Design assistance in developing the best tooling and equipment for each specific application
- Using engineering expertise to assist customers and make recommendations
- FEA Copra Software to "virtually" design tooling before manufacturing, to ensure accuracy
- Manufacturing welded tube, pipe, roll form tooling, and equipment to produce a variety of sizes and shapes
- New product and facilities planning and on-site technical supervision during installation
- In-house tryout department to test tooling prior to shipment
- 24-hour Emergency rework service available at a moment's notice, to minimize downtime
- A rework service center is strategically located in the Midwest
- Mill alignments by hands-on skilled personnel
- Mill rebuilds and restoration
- Single-Point Adjustment features (SPA's) for easy, reliable setups
- Central Lube Systems
- A technical service department to provide assistance and cost-cutting recommendations
- Training is available on-site, on-line, in regional seminars, and published in technical bulletins, Profit Pointers, on roll-kraft.com
- Roll-Kraft tooling is ISO-9001 certified

Roll-Kraft has its headquarters in Mentor, Ohio, and maintains facilities in Frankfurt, Illinois (Roll-Kraft Northern) and Woodbridge, Ontario, Canada (Roll-Kraft Ltd.). With more than 40 years of experience in



providing tooling to the tube & pipe and roll forming industry, Roll-Kraft is one of the most well-known and trusted suppliers. Please contact Chuck Gehrish at 888-953-9400 for more information.

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Bioterrorism Detection Equipment Market to Reach \$1.02 Billion by 2012, According to New Report by Global Industry Analysts, Inc.

GIA announces the release of a comprehensive global report on Bioterrorism Detection Equipment market. The potential risk of a bioterrorism attack is the primary growth driver of the global bioterrorism detection equipment market. The US represents the single largest market for such equipment, followed by Europe. However, in terms of growth, the Middle East leads with the fastest growth between 2008 and 2015.

San Jose, California (PRWEB), June 24, 2009 -- Over the past few years, the US spending on bioweapons prevention and defense has been growing only modestly, unlike in the early part of this decade when the government allocated significant funds to counter [bioterrorism](#). This has been projected as the primary factor for the growth of the US [bioterrorism detection equipment](#) market over the forecast period 2008-2015. The second largest market, trailing with a sizeable difference, is Europe where funding and programs for [biodefense](#) are not strong enough to provide substantial impetus for market growth.

On the other hand, Asia and the Middle East, though characterized with a small value base, show robust potential for growth. The attractiveness of the Middle East market stems from the volatility of the region and increased governmental interest in acquiring biological agent detection equipment.

The global marketplace is characterized by participants such as Acambis Plc, AVI BioPharma, Inc., Blücher GmbH, Evogen, Inc., Human Genome Sciences Inc., ICX Technologies, Inc., ILC Dover LP, Medarex, Inc., Northrop Grumman Corporation, PharmAthene, Inc., Scott Health & Safety, Smiths Detection, The Baker Company, and Universal Detection Technology. Additional market participants include Advanced Life Sciences Holdings, Inc., ADVNT Biotechnologies, BioFactura, Inc., Coley Pharmaceutical Group, Inc., Crucell, CytoGenix, Emergent BioSolutions, General Dynamics Canada, Gulf Security Solutions, Ibis Biosciences, Inc., Ichor Medical Systems, Innovative Biosensors, Inc., Integrated BioTherapeutics, IR BioSciences Holdings Inc., Kadinuo Science and Technology Company, Medison Pharma Ltd., NanoSensors, Inc., Nanotherapeutics, Inc., Omrix Biopharmaceuticals, Safe Life Corp., Security Solutions International, SRI International, U.S. BioDefense, Inc.

"Bioterrorism: A Global Strategic Business Report" announced by Global Industry Analysts, Inc. provides a comprehensive review of market drivers, product profile, players, competition, recent developments, mergers, acquisitions, and other strategic industry activities. Analysis is presented for major geographic markets such as the United States, Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

For more details about this comprehensive market research report, please visit - http://www.strategyr.com/Bioterrorism_Market_Report.asp

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Cincinnati Incorporated Selects BuyDesign® Guided Selling and Configuration Software

Machine tool manufacturer to use product configurator and quoting solution to streamline quote-to-order processes

Columbus, Ohio (PRWEB) June 24, 2009 -- TDCI Inc. (TDCI), the leading provider of configurator-based software solutions, announced today that Cincinnati Incorporated (CINCINNATI), a leading manufacturer of metalworking equipment, has selected TDCI's BuyDesign Guided Selling and Configuration software to streamline quoting and ordering processes for the company's laser, press brake, shear, and powder metal press equipment lines.

BuyDesign Channel Sales will be used by sales reps to generate quotes and place orders for new machines. BuyDesign Configurator will replace the company's current product configurator within their ERP system, and will be used to generate manufacturing information to drive production.

"BuyDesign will significantly reduce the time and effort required to produce a quote for our machines, as well as the time to get the order into manufacturing" said Scott McAffry, CINCINNATI Contract Administration Manager. "That will enable us to be more responsive to our customers and reduce overall lead time."

Brian Turner, CINCINNATI Manager of Business Systems added: "The ability to easily integrate the product configurator into our existing order entry process and migrate our existing configurator rules will enable us to get a fast start on using BuyDesign."

In addition to enhancing the quote-to-order process, CINCINNATI expects to use BuyDesign Configurator's advanced configuration rules and constraints capabilities to improve product standardization over time.

About Cincinnati Incorporated

Cincinnati Incorporated is a technologically advanced manufacturer of metalworking machinery with a reputation for high quality and dependable service, since 1898. Cincinnati Incorporated maintains a modern industrial facility where product development, manufacturing, sales and support functions combine to assure complete customer service and satisfaction. The company has five sales offices throughout the United States and representatives in most parts of the world. Learn more at www.e-ci.com.

About TDCI and BuyDesign

TDCI (www.tdci.com) specializes in helping manufacturers and their distributors streamline the buying process for customized products. TDCI's BuyDesign® software is a comprehensive web-based guided selling and configuration solution developed to help companies increase sales by becoming 'easy to do business with' while improving profitability by reducing order processing time, cost, and errors. Built using a powerful product configurator, BuyDesign provides modular applications for guided product selection and configuration, product visualization, quoting and ordering, drawing and data generation, consumer interest creation, and more.

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Bytewise Launches CrossCheck™ Laser Profile Sensors for 3D Measurement

New [CrossCheck™ Laser Profile Sensors](#) provide high resolution profile measurements at an industry leading price point. The Crosscheck™ sensor includes real-time shape tools to measure thickness, height, width, angle, radius, location, and other shape-based parameters. CrossCheck™ can be installed in-process or off-line to qualify product and part dimensions, output Pass/Fail trigger alerts, and interface to control loops. Additionally, the CrossCheck™ visualization software displays graphical measurement results in real time.

(Vocus) June 23, 2009 -- With over 20 years of profile measurement experience, Bytewise now extends its product offerings to include a line of sensor products to solve everyday measurement applications for scientific and factory applications. The CrossCheck™ product line offers customers affordable [high-resolution, laser profile sensors](#) that enable the end-user to develop less complex, in-house solutions. At the same time CrossCheck™ provides low-cost sensors that system integrators can employ in more complex measurement solutions.

The entire organization now benefits from the low cost profile measurement solution. The New [CrossCheck Laser Profile Sensors](#) provide R&D, Engineering, Production, Quality and Maintenance personnel an excellent non-contact 3D measurement tool that improves product and production quality. While the CrossCheck™ laser is the primary measurement device the CrossCheck Software provides users with simple to use “shape tools”. The [Shape Tools](#) are used to fit data to a Circle, Rectangle, Vertex, Line, Gap, Bump or Step Change. The shape tools are used to set up tolerances and calculate real-time product dimensions to control radius, diameter, height, width, angle and location of key features. There is a Master Profile Comparison tool that insures the shape of a part stays within the actual profile limits. Bytewise has designed the CrossCheck™ product line for a wide variety of factory automation applications including process control, part inspection, robotic guidance, and shape check.

“The CrossCheck™ pre-calibrated laser profile sensors are a great alternative to integrating a smart vision camera and laser line while the cost is less than the price of a single point triangulation sensor” says Michael Harris, Founder & Technical Director. “The software is simple to use and rich in features so any company will improve their production and dimensional quality without breaking the bank.”

An [CrossCheck Starter Kit](#) is available and priced at \$7,449.00. The Starter Kit includes a CrossCheck™ Laser Profile Sensor (30mm, 50mm or 100mm measurement range), and CrossCheck Software to analyze product profile data. The user can set up Pass/Fail trigger alerts and output two analog feedback control loops for direct machine control. Data can be collected and stored to a file while the user can retrieve multiple recipes for product lines that vary in size and dimension. The Starter kit also includes a Universal Articulating Arm to securely mount and hold the sensor during measurement. The Multifunction I/O Device outputs the Pass/Fail trigger alerts plus analog control loops, while the Visual Signal Indicator outputs Red, Green and Yellow alarm status to operators. The kit is backed by a 30 Day No Risk Evaluation period.

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Catch Launches GoIndustrial, a New Online Directory for New Zealand's Manufacturing, Industrial and Mining Sectors

Catch, an online division of Reed Business Information Australia (RBI), today announced the launch of GoIndustrial (www.goindustrial.co.nz), a new online directory for the New Zealand manufacturing, mining, and industrial sectors. The site provides product information, contact details and web links, and for more than 1500 New Zealand companies.

Sydney, Australia (PRWEB) June 23, 2009 -- Catch, an online division of Reed Business Information Australia (RBI), today announced the launch of GoIndustrial (www.goindustrial.co.nz), a new online directory for the New Zealand manufacturing, mining, and industrial sectors. The site provides product information, contact details and web links, and for more than 1,500 New Zealand companies.

"Ferret is Australia's most visited manufacturing and industrial directory and we expect its New Zealand counterpart, GoIndustrial, will experience similar success," said Cameron Elliot, Group Sales Manager. "Companies listed on GoIndustrial will have access to a platform that enables them to engage with prospective customers in the manufacturing, mining, and industrial sectors around the clock."

Free and paid listings are available to New Zealand-based businesses wishing to advertise on GoIndustrial. The website covers the entire manufacturing, industrial, and mining communities in New Zealand and includes information about products ranging from industrial consumables, materials handling and generators to communications equipment, flow measurement and air preparation. GoIndustrial also includes contact details for companies providing a range of services including printing and packaging, waste management and industrial safety and cleaning.

"The range of advertising options available on GoIndustrial will enable companies to maximise the return of their marketing spend," Elliot said. "GoIndustrial will leverage the technology and knowledge that has made Ferret the Australian market leader, serving businesses and customers in the industrial, manufacturing and mining industries."

The advertising packages available on GoIndustrial range from leaderboard and island graphical ads, to enhanced company listing pages, sponsorship of sections or entire categories, and targeted email marketing campaigns.

About Catch:

Catch, an online division of Reed Business Information Australia (RBI), manages a growing portfolio of business-to-business and business-to consumer websites, including global business directory Hotfrog.

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Plasma or Oxyfuel? New Web Site Helps People Decide Which Metal Cutting Method is Right for Them

Hypertherm, the world leader in Plasma Arc Metal Cutting technology, today announced a new Web site designed to help people understand the differences between Plasma and Oxyfuel cutting so they can decide which cutting method is right for them.

Hanover, NH (PRWEB) June 23, 2009 -- Hypertherm, the world leader in [Plasma Arc Metal Cutting](#) technology, today announced a new Web site designed to help people understand the differences between [Plasma](#) and [Oxyfuel](#) cutting so they can decide which cutting method is right for them.

The site found at www.plasmavsoxyfuel.com contains a series of educational articles that cover the seven key things people need to consider when choosing a cutting method: cut quality, productivity, cost per part, overall profitability, ease of use, flexibility, and safety.

There are also several videos on the site, one of which contains a side by side comparison of the two technologies. People wanting more information can also click the many links to external resources that provide even more information on Plasma and Oxyfuel.

"There is sometimes confusion as to which cutting method to use. The answer is it depends on a variety of factors," said Paula Flanders, one of the site's content managers. "Plasmavsoxyfuel.com aims to help people better understand the factors they should consider and works to dispel common myths that exist among the Plasma and Oxyfuel cutting technologies so that people can make an informed decision."

Hypertherm designs and manufactures the world's most advanced Plasma Arc Metal Cutting systems for use in a variety of industries such as shipbuilding, manufacturing, and automotive repair. Its product line includes handheld and mechanized plasma systems and consumables, as well as CNC motion and height controls. Hypertherm Plasma Arc Metal Cutting systems are trusted for performance and reliability that results in increased productivity and profitability for tens of thousands of businesses. The New Hampshire based company's reputation for handheld and mechanized plasma innovations dates back 40 years, to 1968, with Hypertherm's invention of water injection plasma cutting. The company, consistently named one of the best places to work in America, has more than 1,000 associates along with operations and partner representation worldwide. For more information please visit www.hypertherm.com.

Hypertherm is now a member of Facebook. Visit: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Hypertherm/94875010655>

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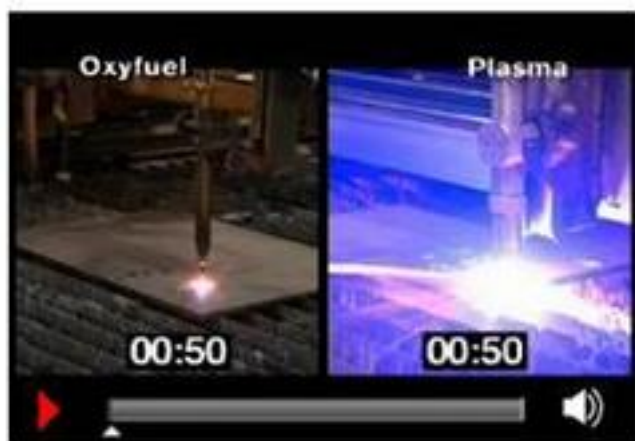
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A video showing a plasma and oxyfuel torch in action is among the many things found on a new Web site that compares the two cutting technologies.

Inpro/Seal Introduces New Current Diverter Ring

Inpro/Seal Company Has Announced A New Product That Is Used To Eliminate Shaft Current Damages On VFD Controlled Motors

Rock Island, IL (PRWEB) June 23, 2009 -- Introducing the new Inpro/Seal Current Diverter Ring (CDR™, patent pending).

Inpro/Seal Company has long been associated with the electric motor industry as the sole supplier to OEMs for their IEEE-841 Premium Efficient motors for industrial use.

Now, with the newly-developed CDR technology, Inpro/Seal is the logical supplier of bearing protection devices for motors using Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs) to adjust the speed output of Alternating Current (AC) motors. The motor manufacturers can conveniently package the motor, drive and CDR.

Only 40% of the motors in industrial use today employ VFDs for powering motors. According to industry sources, this percentage will increase significantly, near term. VFD-controlled motors inherently produce destructive shaft currents that must be redirected around the bearings; otherwise, unmitigated electrical currents initiated by the VFD and induced by the motor shaft destroy the bearings. The Inpro/Seal CDR safely diverts these currents and saves the motor bearings.

When operating centrifugal equipment such as pumps and fans, a 10% reduction in speed will result in a 27% reduction in energy consumption of the pump or fan. Rather than being limited to fixed system parameters such as rigid pump performance characteristics and pressure reduction valves in the system, centrifugal equipment can be programmed to respond to system requirements.

Inpro's CDR components are developed, engineered, tested and manufactured completely within the Inpro/Seal Company facilities in Rock Island. They are made from corrosion resistant bronze in any shape or configuration needed by the customer.

The new device will be available from all major motor manufacturers around the world as well as EASA repair facilities. It will be available as a "press-in," a "Clip-on," a "split" configuration or an "MGS" design Inpro/Seal, which prevents contamination from entering the motor bearing enclosure while diverting destructive shaft currents.

Inpro's reputation for customer service and customer accommodation is well-known and appreciated by clients in the process industries who have worked with Inpro/Seal Company to solve bearing-related problems. Same-day shipments and point-of-use technical service are available 24/7 which is characteristic of Inpro, where innovation is a way of life.

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Inpro/Seal Company is the originator and the world's number one manufacturer of bearing isolators, used to protect motor and pump bearings, machine tool spindles, turbines, fans, gear boxes, paper machine rolls and many other types of rotating equipment. Additional applications include the sealing, handling, processing, packing and storage of dry particulates, powders and bulk solids.

Of the 4,000,000+ bearing isolators delivered, almost all of them continue to be in operation in process plants worldwide, where end users continue to report significantly reduced operating costs with increased productivity and reliability. Protected bearings have run 150,000 hours (17 years) or more, eliminating the need for costly maintenance and repair. Documented cases show that a plant can more than double the mean-time-between failure (MTBF) and reduce maintenance costs by at least half, with users reporting an extremely high ROI.

For more information on the new Inpro/Seal Current Diverter Ring or the name of the nearest trained distributor contact: Jason Putnam at: Inpro/Seal Company, P.O. Box 3940, Rock Island, Illinois 61204. Phone numbers are: (800) 447-0524 or (309) 787-4971. Fax number is: (309) 787-6114. Website: www.inpro-seal.com or www.bearingisolators.com

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New Qass Optimizer Technology Delivers Control of Consumable Tooling Costs

Qass Technologies announces the development of the QASS Optimizer which was designed to provide a solution for manufacturing facilities that have consumable tooling costs in end-mills, reamers, drills and others.

Arlington Heights, IL (PRWEB) June 22, 2009 -- Qass Technologies announces the development of the [QASS Optimizer](#). The Optimizer was designed to provide a solution for manufacturing facilities that have consumable tooling costs in end-mills, reamers, drills, etc. By utilizing patented Acoustic (AE) technology housed in a single, user-friendly unit, the Optimizer enables users to acquire valuable data on tool usage in order to maximize performance and predictable wear.

Unlike other "metrology" instruments, QASS Optimizer is manufactured for the production floor. QASS Optimizer technology provides the following user benefits:

- Establishment of a base line for predicting tool wear for any process
- Virtual elimination of scrap and re-works because of tool damage
- Optimization of feed and speed rates to maximize all aspects in real-time production
- Measurable in-process parameters for easy, fast adjustments after the first few cuts

End-users of the QASS Optimizer will experience a drastic reduction in setup times while reducing tool wear and breakage. This enables manageable, predictable consumable tooling costs resulting in increased machine up-time and reduced maintenance.

The portable unit can be used in a multi-machine work environment and consists of simple plug & play operation, user-friendly screens and real-time monitoring that interfaces with most machine control units.

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Munro's Safety Apparel Launches New Clearance Section on Corporate Website

Recently Munro's Safety Apparel launched a new clearance section on their website to allow the public to take advantage of the lower priced items they are looking to remove from inventory. With the recent economic downturn more and more customers are searching for the best possible deal they can find. Munro's Safety Apparel has found a solution for the public's growing need to conserve on spending their hard earned dollars.

Beaumont, TX (PRWEB) June 22, 2009 -- Recently Munro's Safety Apparel launched a new clearance section on their website to allow the public to take advantage of the lower priced items they are looking to remove from inventory. With the recent economic downturn more and more customers are searching for the best possible deal they can find. Munro's Safety Apparel has found a solution for the public's growing need to conserve on spending their hard earned dollars.

To learn more about the new clearance section on the Munro's Safety Apparel website at the following link:
<http://www.munrossafety.com/store/c/74-Clearance-Items.aspx>

Munro's Safety Apparel started their business venture as a dry cleaning plant business in 1928. In the mid 70's the Safety Apparel division was opened to accommodate the demand of uniforms and work related clothing by not only companies but also the employees making purchases directly. They continue to provide top notch and reliable work gear that is strong, durable and flame resistant. Munro's Safety has been operating proudly for over 30 years with 4 locations. They now service over 1000 corporate customers as well as a multitude of individuals and have quickly become an industry leader as one of the premiere safety apparel companies in the United States. Munro's Safety Apparel now specializes in heavy duty work clothing able to withstand just about anything under the sun. They offer flame resistant clothing, boots, hard hats and much more. Munro's Safety new clearance section offers everything from clothing to high quality boots and other industry required ppe. They understand that not everyone always has the cash flow to be able to pay for items full price. This coupled with left over inventory allows those less fortunate to be able to get their hands on the type of protective clothing and gear they need to be in compliance.

With safety requirements in the work place growing more and more stringent as time pushes forward, the need for safety apparel and clothing will become more of a reality for many workers. Munro's Safety Apparel realizes this and to accommodate for the influx with these new requirements they have decided to expand their website with this new clearance section. Munros Safety Apparel has always put the consumer and community in the driver's seat. Since day one they have found a way to give back to the community. Still to this day they are personally involved with, and active in over 100 charities and organizations nationwide. Munro's Safety Apparel is still headquartered in Beaumont, Texas.

For more information on Munro's Safety apparel or to see any of their clearance items please call 800-666-8676 or visit <http://www.munrossafety.com> and learn more. Stop by their clearance section and see the amazing deals they have right now any of their safety apparel.



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Major Automotive Manufacturer Chooses Intercept Technology™ Shrink Film to Protect Equipment from Corrosion During Plant Closures

Intercept Technology Packaging materials work by sacrificially neutralizing atmospheric contaminants that cause rust and corrosion. Intercept Shrink Film protects inventory and equipment for indoor and outdoor storage, and for worldwide shipment. No corrosion, no rust, no outgas, no oils, no particle-shedding - the product is as pristine and ready for use when it comes out of Intercept as it was when it went in.

Braintree, MA (PRWEB) June 20, 2009 -- The news from the automotive industry has experts evaluating past administrative decisions to analyze the industry's current predicament. A recent decision by a large auto manufacturer to use [Intercept Technology™ Packaging Shrink Film](#) to wrap their manufacturing machinery, inventory, and equipment as they close their plants is a good one. All concerned: management, employees, share holders, product owners, and now taxpayers, can feel comfort in knowing the invested working capital is tightly wrapped with Intercept and will not degrade in storage and in transit.

Intercept Shrink Film has a storied past of protecting inventory and equipment for [indoor and outdoor storage](#) for parts and equipment, and for protection when shipping anywhere around the world. Case in point: using Intercept Shrink Film for wrapping emergency generator sets, CAT project manager Tim Pritchard wrote: "In all cases the equipment was unpacked at overseas platform manufacturing sites, and found to be in the same as-new condition in which it left our works." From Seatram project director Ted Del Borello: "Encapsulating with Intercept products has ensured that the equipment has reached destination with its pre-shipment condition maintained."

[Copper-based Intercept Technology](#) works by sacrificially reacting to the atmospheric contaminants that cause rust. Thick gauge Intercept also is superb for keeping the moisture out of the package and off equipment.

It is a bumpy road ahead for the entire US automobile industry. But at least at one major plant the message appears to be: "Be prepared; be ready to spring into action when business returns". Inventory, manufacturing machinery, and plant equipment that is rust free, clean, immediately ready to go, that does not need to be cleaned up, and is free from corroded parts needing to be replaced, will aid in starting up manufacturing and/or maintaining the value for selling the investment. If left unprotected and the equipment accumulates rust, not only does it lose value and require a great deal of labor to be readied, but parts to make it operational may not be available when needed. It makes good economic sense for the plant to protect its working capital with valuable Intercept Technology corrosion preventive packaging solutions.

[Liberty Packaging Co., Inc. provides Intercept Technology](#) Packaging on the East Coast, US.

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Inpro/Seal Water Mizer™ Shaft Seal Receives Product Of The Year Silver Award From Plant Engineering Magazine

The Water Mizer™, a shaft sealing system invented by Inpro/Seal Company, has been awarded the prestigious Product of the Year award from Plant Engineering magazine.

Rock, Island, IL (PRWEB) June 18, 2009 -- The Water Mizer™, a shaft sealing system invented by Inpro/Seal Company, has been awarded the prestigious Product of the Year award from Plant Engineering magazine. Invented specifically for use in powder and bulk process applications, the system provides a positive seal that conventional methods simply cannot attain and eliminates the need for continual maintenance.

The Product Of The Year Award

Plant Engineering is a trade magazine serves 90,000+ readers and hosts a highly visited website. Founded in 1947, the monthly magazine is read regularly by plant personnel that recommend, specify or buy plant maintenance equipment and systems. For over 20 years they have conducted a Product Of The Year competition that has become the most coveted prize in manufacturing product innovation.

There are 17 categories with Gold, Silver, and Bronze winners in each. In 2008, their The Air Mizer™ shaft sealing system was the first place winner, in the maintenance products category while their Free Bearing Isolator program was a finalist in the same category.

For 2009, Inpro/Seal's Water Mizer shaft sealing system was the Silver or second place winner in the maintenance products category. The award was presented during the annual Plant Engineering Manufacturing Summit, held March 30 in Charleston, South Carolina. Accepting the award in behalf of Inpro/Seal was Wyman Woods, Southern Regional Manager.

Prestigious, Coveted And Stringent

The prestigious honor is bestowed only on those manufacturers that have created a new product or new idea that can help a plant to operate better, faster and more efficiently. To be eligible for Product Of The Year, an extensive review process is involved. This process includes: initial nomination by a panel of industry experts; verification that the product was new to the market between Oct. 1, 2007 - Sept. 30, 2008 and reader voting via special ballot among their 90,000+ readers.

The First Bearing Isolator

To understand the shaft sealing system, an explanation of the bearing isolator is needed. In his quest to find a positive, permanent means to protect bearings while enhancing and extending the service life of rotating equipment, David C. Orłowski developed the worlds first bearing isolator and received patent protection in 1977, the same year he founded Inpro/Seal Company. Today his company is the world's largest producer of industrial bearing isolators

A non-contacting labyrinth seal, for the first time, the bearing isolator gave the end users in process plants the



choice of permanent bearing protection and eliminated the need for continual maintenance. Because it's unitized rotor and stator that do not contact each other, it consumes zero energy and it never wears out.

Conventional Shaft Seals Methods Did Not Last

Having proven itself to process plants on rotating equipment over the years, Inpro/Seal had a large number of requests for a long lasting shaft seal for use where powder, dry particulates, powders and bulk solids are handled, processed, packed and stored. At the time, end users had to contend with sealing methods such as packing and lip/contact seals mechanical seals that did not last.

Packing would soften to the point where powder or slurries can leak to the outside, causing environmental problems. Some could be renewed by tightening, which this was but a "short-term" fix that required constant maintenance. They were also subject to leakage runout at the stuffing box. Lip and face seals work on a contact basis and are subject to excess wear on the sealing surfaces as they make contact. Mechanical seals are subject to wear on the seal faces as they make contact.

The First Inpro/Seal Shaft Seals

In 1999, following extensive R & D, field testing and trials, they unveiled their original shaft seal, the Air Mizer™-PS a modification of their bearing isolator, a compound labyrinth, adapted to incorporate an air purge containment system. As with all Inpro/Seal Bearing Isolators, the original Air Mizer™-PS is a non-contact seal that avoids direct egress of the particulate material and assures the highest levels of performance. Its major innovation is the inclusion of a unique design feature that uses a solid wall of air that functions as a barrier for contamination and works to retain product where it should be - in the equipment, not outside of it. It went on to receive USDA approval.

The Shaft Seal Line Expands

By 2004, an entire product line product line of shaft seals started to evolve, including the Articulating Air Mizer™ and Smooth Bore. All have the advantages of the original, including the ability to handle extreme shaft misalignment and deflection, with the added capability to handle unlimited axial movement without placing any stress or strain on the equipment. Without any rotating parts, the shaft "floats" in the seal with zero contact and zero wear.

Customer Request Leads To The Water Mizer New Product

By 2007, Inpro/Seal customers requested a new type of seal. Because there are applications where air cannot be used, they wanted a shaft seal that used a medium to attain the seal. To meet these requests, Inpro/Seal engineers developed the Water Mizer Shaft Seal. The Water Mizer has all of the features of their other shaft seals with one main difference - a water purge is used to attain the seal.

It's design includes a ½" waterline connection that attaches to a regulator to control the water pressure. A drain is located on the backside. The shaft "floats" on a water barrier directly on the shaft, which provides unlimited axial movement without placing any stress or strain on the product. Without any moving parts, the seal attains zero contact, zero wear and zero frictional drag.

A Product For The Times



According to David C. Orlowski, CEO, "Inpro/Seal Company accepts this award with a great deal of pride. I compare this type of recognition similar to the Motor Trend Car Of The Year Award. It is very prestigious and an important indicator of the value our products bring to the market. The Water Mizer, as with all our shaft seals, is a step above and a significant improvement over dry running mechanical seals that begin to wear at start-up and require rebuild kits due to their 100% failure rate. Once installed, this product can help plants control plant floor equipment".

Nothing Else Like It On The Market

As with other products in the shaft sealing line, end users obtain the latest in non-contacting technology. All products work with shaft diameters of 1" - 36" and accept severe radial and angular shaft run out up to 1/2". Once installed, problems associated with shaft deflection, run-out axial displacement and misalignment that cause other sealing methods to fail, become a thing of the past.

End users will be able to boost equipment reliability, reduce costs, extend sealing efficiencies and increase bottom line results, without equipment modifications. Additional benefits include: a reduction in lost product, the virtual elimination of unscheduled downtime and the ability to meet regulatory requirements.

Typical Applications, Easy To Install

Typical applications include: screw conveyors, mixers, blenders, rotary valves, feeders, gates, clinker grinders, bucket elevators, diverters, scales, bagging machines, dust collectors, discharges, classifiers, screens, extruders, separators, shredders, sifters, gate valves, metal detectors, pulverizers, crushers, coolers, aerators, mixers, agitators, transfer pumps, fillers and similar wet and dry powder and slurry processing equipment.

Inpro/Seal Shaft Seals are custom-engineered to suit individual applications and are easy to install. Split designs allow for installation directly on the shaft without the removal of couplings and end plates.

About Inpro/Seal

Inpro/Seal Company is the originator and the world's number one manufacturer of bearing isolators, used to protect motor and pump bearings, machine tool spindles, turbines, fans, gear boxes, paper machine rolls and many other types of rotating equipment. Additional applications include the sealing, handling, processing, packing and storage of dry particulates, powders and bulk solids.

Of the 4,000,000+ bearing isolators delivered, almost all of them continue to be in operation in process plants worldwide, where end users continue to report significantly reduced operating costs with increased productivity and reliability. Protected bearings have run 150,000 hours (17 years) or more, eliminating the need for costly maintenance and repair.

Signoff

For more information the Water Mizer™, Air Mizer™, Smooth Bore or other shaft seals, free literature that details why lips seals fail, or the name of the nearest trained distributor contact: Jason Putnam at: Inpro/Seal Company, P.O. Box 3940, Rock Island, Illinois 61204. Phone numbers are: (800) 447-0524 or (309) 787-4971. Fax number is: (309) 787-6114. Website: www.inpro-seal.com or www.bearingisolators.com



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Electric Generators Direct Lists Best Emergency Standby Generators

Electric Generators Direct Lists Best Emergency Standby Generators. Top Rated Standby Generators Recommended.

BOLINGBROOK, IL (PRWEB) June 18, 2009 -- ElectricGeneratorsDirect.com announced today their recommendations for emergency standby generators.

When the power goes out, you want to know that the standby generator you bought has enough power for the circuits you choose. Electric Generators Direct gives consumers honest, straight-forward standby generator recommendations.

Most retailers are loyal to whatever is on their shelves, according to Jon Hoch, founder & CEO of Power Equipment Direct - one of the fastest growing e-commerce companies in the United States.

ElectricGeneratorsDirect.com, however, isn't your ordinary retailer. The online superstore specializes exclusively in electric generators and carries more than 150 types of emergency generators from over a half-dozen leading brands.

The online retailer combined retail prices, recent sales history, customer reviews and personal insight to generate their final recommendations.

Once the dust and data settled, 3 [emergency standby generators](#), 3 [emergency home standby generators](#) capable of running an AC unit and 3 [luxury home stand by generators](#), sold by ElectricGeneratorsDirect.com were given their prestigious "Recommended" status.

Standby Generators (Homes No A/C)

Good: Generac Guardian Series™ 8 kW Emergency Power System - 5501

Better: Generac Guardian Series™ 10 kW Emergency Power System - 5502

Best: Generac Guardian Series™ 14 kW Emergency Power System - 5503

Standby Generators (Homes with A/C)

Good: Generac Guardian Series™ 17 kW Emergency Power System w/ Steel Enclosure - 5504

Better: Generac Guardian Series™ 20 kW Emergency Power System w/ Aluminum Enclosure & 200A SE ATS - 5744

Best: Generac QuietSource Series™ 22 kW Standby Power Generator (Premium-Grade) - QT02224ANAN

Standby Generators (Luxury Homes)

Good: Generac Guardian Series™ 25 kW Emergency Standby Power Generator - QT02516ANSN

Better: Generac Guardian Series™ 45 kW Emergency Standby Power Generator - QT04524ANSN

Best: Generac QuietSource Series™ 48 kW Standby Power Generator (Premium-Grade) - QT04842ANAN



In addition, Hoch personally wrote online reviews for each standby generator, explaining why the company recommended it.

By providing the recommendations and reviews, ElectricGeneratorsDirect.com hopes to arm shoppers with enough ammunition to pick the perfect standby emergency generator for their needs.

Power Equipment Direct operates nine niche online superstores. In addition to ElectricGeneratorsDirect.com, the Bolingbrook, IL-based company operates AirCompressorsDirect.com, PressureWashersDirect.com, SnowBlowersDirect.com, MowersDirect.com, WaterPumpsDirect.com, SumpPumpsDirect.com, ChainSawsDirect.com and LogSplittersDirect.com.

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SPESA EXPO to Highlight "Supply Chain of the Americas" at 2010 Event

SPESA EXPO plans to expand its exhibitor and attendee footprint by adding a special Supply Chain of the Americas exhibit at its May 18-20, 2010 event in Atlanta, Georgia. This innovative exhibit is designed to deliver greater value to attendees by complementing the show's traditional equipment, technology, and educational focus with exhibits of textiles and components, design and development services, production and logistics providers, country and industry association pavilions, and other related products and services that support the entire concept-to-delivery fashion and sewn products lifecycle in the Western Hemisphere.

Raleigh, North Carolina (PRWEB) June 18, 2009 -- The Sewn Products Equipment & Suppliers of the Americas (SPESA) announces plans to expand its May 18-20, 2010 SPESA EXPO event in Atlanta, Georgia (<http://www.spesaexpo.com>) through the addition of a special "Supply Chain of the Americas" exhibit that will highlight the unique business opportunities and wide-ranging resources available to sewn products manufacturers, brand marketers, and vertical retailers in the region. Comprising textiles and components, design and development services, production and logistics providers, country and industry association pavilions and more, the new exhibit will complement what is already the largest and most comprehensive exhibition of sewn products equipment, technology, and education in the Western Hemisphere. Supply Chain of the Americas will expand the event's coverage to the entire concept-to-delivery fashion and sewn products lifecycle by highlighting innovation in design, development, engineering, sourcing, production, logistics, distribution, and other key business processes.

The new Supply Chain of the Americas exhibit is also expected to attract a significantly broader audience to the triennial event, which has historically focused primarily on equipment and machinery exhibits. "Interest in producing in close proximity to the U.S. market is growing," noted SPESA managing director Dave Gardner. "By expanding the scope of SPESA EXPO, we are working to fill the need that sewn products manufacturers, brands, and retailers have to better understand the opportunities and identify the resources available to them in the Western Hemisphere. We believe that, as the largest fashion and sewn products technology and educational event in the region, SPESA EXPO is the perfect venue to bring together the complete range of products, services, and resources available to companies that consider the Americas as part of their supply chain strategy."

For the first time ever at SPESA EXPO, the Supply Chain of the Americas exhibit will welcome the full range of product and service resources that serve sewn products manufacturers, brands, and retailers; including fabrics and textiles, trims and components, textile and screen printing, trend and design, product development and engineering, CAD/CAM, spreading and cutting, contract and package providers, laundry and garment dyeing, logistics and distribution, product identification and labeling, testing and compliance, sourcing and supply chain, fit and sizing, consulting and education, and other related products and services.

About SPESA EXPO

SPESA EXPO is the most comprehensive exhibition and seminar event for the sewn products industry in the Western Hemisphere. It comprises all segments of the sewn products market, including apparel and fashion, auto and transportation interiors, footwear and accessories, home furnishings and upholstery, safety and protective gear, luggage and leather goods, and other technical and industrial textiles; and covers the entire concept-to-delivery sewn products lifecycle including design, development, production, and distribution. In 2010,



SPESA EXPO will co-locate with Techtexil North America and ATME-I/Megatex on May 18-20 to form "Textile and Sewn Products Industry Week" in Atlanta, Georgia. SPESA EXPO is solely owned by SPESA.

About SPESA

Formed in 1990, the Sewn Products Equipment & Suppliers of the Americas (SPESA) is an industry association dedicated to suppliers (manufacturers and distributors of machinery, equipment, related parts and supplies, systems, technology, supply chain solutions, and other products and services for the development, manufacture, or distribution of sewn products) to the sewn products industries (apparel, upholstered furniture, home textiles, transportation interiors, leather goods, footwear, and technical/industrial textiles). SPESA speaks with a representative voice on matters that affect its member companies and provides a forum to advance its members' interests in the global marketplace. SPESA promotes and coordinates business and social interaction and provides opportunities for the sharing of industry-specific and general business information for its members and their customers.

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