

Klingelberg

RECEIVES DOCUMENTATION AWARDS

Klingelberg once again received two awards for its outstanding operating instruction quality at the ceremony for the renowned tekomp documentation award on November 7th, 2013 in Wiesbaden, Germany.

The European professional association for technical communication, tekomp (Gesellschaft für Technische Kommunikation e.V.), has been honoring user manuals and operating instructions for consumer and capital equipment as well as online help for software products with awards every year since 2005.

In order to determine which documentation should win the award, tekomp hands the submitted instructions over to an independent team of experts in technical documentation for evaluation according to a specified catalog of criteria. This year Klingelberg Group once again proved the quality of its operating manuals for the third time in a row: The instructions for the spiral bevel gear testing machine Oerlikon T 60 and the cutter head setting and checking device Oerlikon CS 200 received the coveted seal of quality this year with a high-scoring grade of 1.7 (according to the German school grading system where 1 is best and 6 is worst).

Pascal Kesselmark, head of technical documentation at Klingelberg Group, accepted the awards in person during the ceremony: “We are incredibly thrilled about this honor, which more than confirms our 2008 decision to completely rework our technical documentation. Now we are looking back at eight awards since 2011.”

Dr. Hartmuth Müller, CTO of Klingelberg Group, also seemed extremely happy with the results: “Our customers expect the highest degree of quality and safety from our products. Naturally, this also includes technical documentation. It has to be written in an understandable way, needs to meet all legal and standard-related requirements and must allow operators to use our products efficiently and safely at all times. That is why this award represents an affirmation of our continuous work as a quality-conscious company.”



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ALCprecision

CHANGES NAME TO PRECIPART

Precipart Group, a global supplier of precision custom mechanical components, gears and motion control assemblies for medical technology, aerospace, homeland security and industrial markets, has changed the name of its ALCprecision operating company to Precipart. The name change coincides with the launch of a new Precipart informational website at www.precipart.com.

Based in Farmingdale, NY, the ALCprecision business unit provides custom solutions for high-precision machined parts, technical ceramic components, custom mechanical assemblies and miniature parts in various materials. Tracing its origin back to the mid-1800s and the invention of the Swiss Screw Machine, the company offers value-added services on a global basis — from design through high-volume production and delivery logistics.

The name change is effective immediately. However, the company’s structure, ownership, processes, quality systems, staff and location will not change, according to Robert Marchese, Precipart president and CEO of Precipart’s Mechanical Components and Assemblies business unit. “The name change from ALCprecision to Precipart correlates with the alignment of our operating companies in strategy and process under one common brand,” explained Marchese. “Together, the Precipart Group family of companies is expanding its reach and capabilities beyond component production to offer added value for its customers. Not only are we growing by



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providing systems and assemblies, but we see opportunities for growth and strategic sourcing in new geographic markets. The transition to a common brand identity is part of that vision for expansion.”

In addition to the name change and new website, Precipart is expanding its campus in New York, adding a new building with more than 21,000 square feet of manufacturing space. Precipart Group has operations in Farmingdale, NY; Lyss, Switzerland; and Hampshire, England.

Solar Atmospheres

HIRES REGIONAL SALES MANAGER

Solar Atmospheres recently announced that **Michael Paponetti** has accepted the position of regional sales manager. He will be utilizing his 18 years of heat treating/brazing technical knowledge to maintain and promote sales throughout the country. Prior to accepting this position, he served as president of Expert Brazing and Heat Treating, which is located in Massillon, Ohio. Paponetti brings experience and a proven track record of success, as a longtime AWS and ASM member, which will be invaluable in meeting Solar Atmospheres of Western PA's goals and objectives. SAWPA president, Bob Hill says, "Please join me in welcoming Michael to Solar Atmospheres of Western PA. I am confident that he will be an excellent match for this position and a strong asset to our Solar team."



Hwacheon Machinery

APPOINTS VP OF SALES

Hwacheon Machinery America, Vernon Hills, Illinois, has appointed **Robert Nedler** to the position of vice president – sales, a new position, according to Michael Huggett, president. Nedler previously was product manager – milling at Hwacheon. He has been with the company since 2012. "A dynamic and results-focused sales leader, Bob brings to Hwacheon his more than 27-years' experience in identifying and successfully capitalizing on market opportunities, which he earned at the Starrag Group, DMG and Yamazen," Huggett said. "Bob will play an essential role in the company as we work to expand our market share in North and South America."



"One of my primary goals is to develop a responsive sales and service team that will provide the highest level of support to our growing dealer network and to our customers in the general machining, mold and die, energy, and aerospace markets," Nedler said.

Mitutoyo America

CELEBRATES NEW CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS



Mitutoyo America Corporation celebrated the grand opening of their new corporate headquarters on October 14 - 15 at 965 Corporate Boulevard, Aurora, Illinois. The two-day "Building the Foundation for the Next Fifty" celebration included ribbon cutting ceremonies, M3 Solution Center and facility tours, product introductions and seminars, and a 50th anniversary gala celebration for Mitutoyo customers, distributors and distinguished guests. "We are so excited that the grand opening of our new facility could occur simultaneously with our 50th anniversary milestone. Our new advanced facility will provide Mitutoyo America with all the essential resources necessary so we are able to hold true to our number one commitment — to prevail as the leader in the metrology market achieved through a culture which recognizes lasting relationships are only built on a solid foundation which embraces trust and honor," says Shigeyuki Sasaki, president of Mitutoyo America Corporation.

GMTA

APPOINTS MANAGER OF CONTROLS ENGINEERING AND PROGRAMMING

Effective October 1, **Maik Schminke** was named manager of controls engineering and programming at the Ann Arbor facility of GMTA. According to GMTA President Walter Friedrich, "This appointment fills our need to provide and support customers with machine tool controls, SPS, PLC and CNC programming." Schminke has worked for the past 12 years at the German partner to GMTA, Diskus, part of the large DVS Group in Germany. Prior to Diskus, he worked at Pittler, another GMTA partner company in Germany and also a DVS Group company. Schminke completed his apprenticeship program while at Pittler. In other GMTA news, plans are underway to have an open house at the newly renovated GMTA facility in Ann Arbor, Michigan. This expanded facility now houses parts and service, a full machine demo center, sales and corporate



management for this growing machine tool company. GMTA is the exclusive North American distributor for leading German machine tool builders and tooling suppliers, concentrated in the gear and spline production machine markets.

Holroyd Precision

SECURES MACHINE TOOL ORDERS IN CHINA AND GERMANY

Holroyd Precision Ltd., the specialist machine tool design, manufacture and supply division of U.K.-based Precision Technologies Group (PTG), has secured machine orders totaling more than £4 million from leading air compressor manufacturers in China and Germany. Valued at £3.3 million, the order from China is for a Holroyd 8EX rotor milling machine that is capable of milling profiles of up to 850 mm in diameter, and a Holroyd TG350E (350 mm diameter capability) rotor grinding machine. Offering 'next generation' production technologies, both models are renowned across industry for their high stock removal rates and high levels of accuracy. The customer concerned is a manufacturer of specialist oil-free air compressors that are used in the medical and textile sectors. The TG350E rotor grinding machine will be shipped in December 2013; the 8EX rotor milling machine will follow in early 2014. The order from Germany is for a Holroyd 3EX-R rotor milling machine. Valued at £1 million, it has a 350mm maximum diameter capability and will be used by a premier air compressor manufacturer for the milling of screw profiles.



Metallized Carbon

APPOINTS QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER

Roxanne Andrian will fill the position of quality assurance manager and will oversee the operations of the quality assurance department and ensure that all products produced are of the highest quality and comply with internal and external requirements. "We are delighted to have Roxanne join the Metcar team," says President and CEO, Matthew Brennan, "Her experience will ensure we can continue to produce the high quality products our customers have learned to expect."



Andrian holds a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from the University of Montreal and has more than 13 years of experience in quality assurance in the aerospace, automotive, petrochemical, and oil and gas production industries. Furthermore, Andrian holds a certification as a Six Sigma "Master Black Belt." Her extensive QA expertise will be necessary to meet the high standards of Metallized Carbon's carbon-graphite products that are required to survive and function under the harshest conditions. In addition, Andrian is dedicated to promoting communication between employees and management, and is committed to lean manufacturing principles. In past roles she has helped her former companies significantly reduce waste and raw material needs and she hopes to continue this focus at Metallized Carbon.

Moventas

REBRANDS INDUSTRIAL AND WIND GEAR BUSINESS

Moventas is in the process of rebranding and differentiating its industrial and wind gear businesses. Changes in its operational structure and branding will take place by the end of the year. As part of the operational arrangements, group President & CEO Mikael Laine has set forth his resignation. Moventas is preparing to rebrand its industrial gear business, and to run the two core businesses more independently of each other than before, in order to better serve its customers in both segments. The company's legal structure will remain as it is, but its operational structure will be developed to enable more flexibility in fulfilling customer needs on a global scale for both businesses.

The renowned Santasalo brand will now be reintroduced by making it Moventas' industrial gear brand. Moventas, a recognized brand in the renewables industry, will remain as the wind industry brand. Moventas' after sales business will be branded Santasalo Moventas, which will also be the company's new corporate identity. Both the rebranding and the related operational changes will take place by the end of the year.

Santasalo is Moventas' predecessor and a major part of the Moventas history and legacy since the 1940s. Santasalo is a

Moventas-owned trademark. With industrial gear manufacturing facilities in Germany, Finland and China and a network of nine service and repair facilities globally, the Industrial Gears business is an important contributor to the Moventas business. Recent investments in new service centers, additional sales resource and some exciting new product developments provide a strong platform for further growth in the Santasalo business.

Moventas' Industrial Gears and Wind Gears business areas will be led by the current Senior Vice Presidents, Gerwin Klaner and Arto Lahtela. In addition, the owner's representatives and Moventas board members Alex Stewart and Gavin McCallum from Clyde Blowers will also take a more leading and operative role in the implementation of the differentiation plan.

Ionbond


OPENS NEW CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS

Ionbond, a provider of PVD, CVD and PACVD coating services and CVD coating equipment, announced that it recently opened its new corporate headquarters offices in Zürich. The move follows the acquisition of Ionbond by the IHI Corporation of Japan at the end of last year. The new headquarters will be home to Ionbond's corporate management. IHI, which also owns Hauzer Techno Coating in Venlo, Netherlands, a leader in PVD and PACVD coating equipment, sees the new headquarters in Zürich as a central coordination point for their growth in coating services and equipment worldwide.

Ionbond's Chairman of the Board Yoshinori Kawasaki who will be based in the new headquarters said: "Zürich is an excellent location from which to coordinate our worldwide activities in this market. It is a convenient meeting point for our executives from IHI, Hauzer, and Ionbond as well as our customers. We would like to invite our customers and partners to meet with us in our new offices here in Zürich".

Ionbond's CEO Joe Haggerty added: "We are very pleased to open our new headquarters in Zürich. Centralized functions such as group finance, marketing, and human resources will be based here. This location allows us to receive customers more easily upon their arrival in Switzerland and allows for more efficient coordination with our coating network. It also provides access to the large support network of suppliers of corporate services and to the excellent employee talent pool available in the Zürich area. Our management for the equipment division as well as the Swiss coating services will remain based in our Olten Competence Center, about one hour west of the headquarters".

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