



Press Release

Berk-Tek

A Nexans Company

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Berk-Tek, a Nexans Company, selects Lighthouse Systems' Shopfloor-Online to improve quality and increase efficiencies across the New Holland, PA facility

Lighthouse Systems, a leading provider of shopfloor data collection software, announces that Berk-Tek is implementing Shopfloor-Online to automate SPC and Process Parameter data collection within the organization's New Holland plant.

The decision was taken following a review of competitive systems available today. Berk-Tek chose to work with Lighthouse Systems for several key reasons. Not only does the software deliver best in class functionality that will allow Berk-Tek to add further features over time, but it delivers a proven capability for capturing SPC data on the shop floor. Also, Lighthouse demonstrated an ability and a willingness to customize its application to integrate with Berk Tek's existing systems.

Shopfloor-Online provides real-time feedback to operators relating to the state of the product being manufactured at any point in time and throughout the production process. Berk-Tek is also capturing process parameters directly from the machines' PLCs using OPC to monitor machine performance from any PC on the network. Furthermore, they can now analyze and correlate the process data against finished product performance resulting in a better understanding of how changes in the process affect final product.

About Berk-Tek

For more than 45 years, Berk-Tek, a Nexans Company has been a leading manufacturer of more than 100 different network copper and fiber optic cable products. The company has led in the development of high-performance and enhanced fiber optic and UTP cables designed to transport high-speed data and voice transmissions. Berk-Tek has major manufacturing facilities in New Holland, PA, Fuquay-Varina, NC, and Elm City, NC.

Berk-Tek is part of Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, offering an extensive range of cables and cabling systems. The Group is a global player in the infrastructure, industry, building and Local Area Network markets. Nexans addresses a series of market segments from energy, transport and telecom networks to shipbuilding, oil and gas, nuclear power, automotive, electronics, aeronautics, handling and automation. With an industrial presence in more than 30 countries and

commercial activities worldwide, Nexans employs 22,800 people and had sales in 2007 of 7.4 billion euros.

About Lighthouse Systems

Lighthouse Systems is one of the world's leading developers of Manufacturing Execution Systems (MES) with offices in London, Singapore, Australia and Rochester, NY. Lighthouse Systems Shopfloor-Online is web based modular software that provides real time visibility of the entire manufacturing operations environment. Applications include Maintenance Management, Concern Management, Quality, SPC, Downtime, OEE, Spoilage and Inventory Traceability. Shopfloor-Online is being used in a wide range of industries with some of the biggest manufacturing companies; it is deployed in 15 languages in 28 countries.

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