

News Release

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RPS Automation Announces Strong Customer Growth

Manufacturer of selective soldering equipment expands with new & repeat customers; company sees strong momentum for new entry-level Rhythm System

Las Vegas, NV, March 31, 2008— RPS Automation LLC, a global supplier of selective solder equipment to the circuit board manufacturing and assembly industry, today announced strong customer growth with new and repeat customers across all product segments, particularly the recently introduced Rhythm Selective Soldering System™.

Despite recent North American economic weakness, RPS announced many new and repeat customers for the RPS family of selective soldering systems. Recent customer installations include: Saturn Electronics & Engineering, Creation Technologies, EI Microcircuits, P3C, Circle Prime Manufacturing, Lectronix and Saline Lectronics.

“RPS selective soldering helped us reallocate full-time employees and eliminated the time, headache and expense of wave processing,” said Mario Sciberras, President and CEO, Saline Lectronics. “The reliability and precision of the Opus System and the responsiveness of RPS made it easy to justify a second system.”

Many new customers are representative of the expanding global interest in RPS products. Recent global customer wins came in Mexico, Canada, France, China and the Middle East.

The entry-level Rhythm Selective Soldering System also greatly contributed to the surge in customer orders. The Rhythm System is a small foot-point system founded upon the advanced soldering capabilities of RPS’s larger Opus™ and Harmony Systems™. Reasonably priced but exceptionally precise and repeatable, the Rhythm System has been well received for both high-mix and high-volume applications.

In Mexico, Miguel Sangabriel, Manufacturing Engineering Manager, Saturn Electronics de Monterrey SA de CV, stated, “We selected the Rhythm System over several European systems. RPS showed the expertise and the commitment to meet our high throughput, high flexibility requirements. The Rhythm System is a great addition to our production environment.”

“Last summer’s restructuring and addition of capital, management and investor support is really starting to pay dividends,” stated Reed Gaither, CEO of RPS Automation. “The engineering and manufacturing teams have tremendous resources at their disposal to develop and manufacture systems that are both innovative and extremely durable. Our success comes from satisfied customers; when you build a good product and you provide excellent service, your customers become your best sales agents.”

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About RPS Automation LLC

RPS Automation LLC is an American manufacturing company that designs and builds a complete line of automated selective soldering and solder test equipment for electronic assembly and circuit board manufacturing. RPS is the only U.S. manufacturer that builds a full range of automated selective soldering equipment. RPS is also the only U.S. manufacturer to offer extensive custom configuration capabilities, utilizing a deep engineering team and full manufacturing capabilities.

The company has been in the soldering automation market for 20 years and has over 450 installations and 250 global customers. All systems are built in Spokane Valley, Washington U.S.A. and are designed for 24x7 operations in industrial-grade environments. RPS is known for high quality soldering, low maintenance, durability and superior customer service.

More information on RPS Automation can be found at www.rpsautomation.com

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