

Hypertherm's Plasma Experts Head West with MTC Software End User Symposiums to Help Businesses Cut More Metal for Less

HANOVER, N.H.—July 14, 2009—Hypertherm, the world leader in plasma arc metal cutting technology, is heading to the Pacific Northwest to help businesses cut more metal for less money.

The company is planning two all day symposiums; one in Seattle on July 27 and a second one in Portland on July 29. The symposiums will feature three plasma experts with a combined 85 years of experience.

Hypertherm's Jim Colt will show attendees how the latest plasma technology can lead to increased cut speed and cut quality. In addition, he will offer tips to maximize consumable life, review best practices for reduced operating costs, and compare plasma to laser and oxyfuel.

Two other presenters will join Jim: Rich Day from Hypertherm's Automation team, and Jason Michalski of MTC Software. Rich will talk about motion control technology, showing people how CNC's contribute to the bottom line. In addition, he will provide examples of why a torch height control is critical for optimum system performance. Jason will provide step by step instructions on how to simplify programming and increase productivity.

"We know businesses are facing challenging times right now and want to help them navigate the current economic reality so they can emerge stronger in the end," said Jenny Levy, Hypertherm's director of North American marketing. "We are confident any business that cuts metal will benefit from the knowledge our experts have to share."

People interested in attending the <u>free</u> symposium should call 800-643-0030, extension 2904 to reserve a seat.

Hypertherm designs and manufactures the world's most advanced plasma 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 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 plasma innovation 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.

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