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Hypertherm Announces Major Expansion of Centricut CO₂ Laser Products

HANOVER, N.H.—Oct. 1, 2009—Hypertherm's Centricut® brand is helping more businesses access the latest Hypertherm laser technology by expanding its already extensive line up of laser cutting consumables three fold. In addition, a new partnership with the world's leading manufacturer of CO₂ laser optics enables Centricut to sell the entire line of OEM approved optics by II-VI Infrared. These optics include laser lenses, mirrors and MP5 ultra-low absorption lenses, which boast the lowest absorption rate on the market today.

"We think the ability of customers to choose Centricut brand consumables for almost any laser cutting system is very attractive," said Martin Geheran, product manager for Hypertherm's Centricut brand. "In addition to giving customers more choice, it ensures they have convenient access to the latest innovations like our armored sensor cables and our sensor cone refurbishment program."

Introduced earlier this year, Centricut's armored sensor cables are so robust they are guaranteed to outlast traditional sensor cables. The design includes an extreme temperature rating and reinforced collars that increase reliability and reduce costly equipment downtime. The sensor cone refurbishment program saves businesses thousands of dollars a year by restoring worn or broken sensor cones to factory new specifications.

Businesses interested in learning more about any of the Centricut brand laser product offerings can call 800-752-7623 for help finding an authorized Hypertherm distributor.

Hypertherm's Centricut brand engineers and manufactures advanced plasma and laser cutting consumables. Its product line includes consumables that deliver increased value to people who own most any non-Hypertherm cutting system including systems by ESAB, Kaliburn, and Trumpf. All Centricut brand products are engineered and manufactured to exacting standards and incorporate the latest technological advances that help to reduce operating costs, while delivering increased cut speed and quality. Centricut products include free technical support and come with same-day shipping.

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.

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