



New metal cutting group on LinkedIn provides opportunity for metal working professionals to share ideas; learn from one another

HANOVER, NH—Aug. 2, 2011—Professionals involved in light fabrication, plant maintenance or high-volume plate cutting in any industry—including ship building, manufacturing, pipeline construction, or automotive repair—have a new networking group at their disposal.

The new Metal Cutting networking group, now active on LinkedIn, is moderated by Hypertherm's Jim Colt, an industry veteran with more than 30 years of metal cutting experience. The new group is open to anyone registered on LinkedIn. Joining is fast, free, and easy. All you have to do is click [here](#).

The group provides metal working professionals with an opportunity to exchange ideas and learn from one another. For example, they can share ideas and tips on how to improve cut quality, extend service life, enhance productivity, and lower their operating costs.

"Metal cutting technology is constantly evolving and the ability to exchange ideas and experiences with other metal working professionals can be a big help. This is especially true of anyone working in a smaller shop." said Jim Colt, moderator of the new group. "Even though I've been doing this for more than three decades, I think there is always more to learn and the best teachers are often our peers."

Hypertherm designs and manufactures advanced metal cutting systems for use in a variety of industries such as shipbuilding, manufacturing, and automotive repair. Its product line includes handheld and mechanized plasma and laser systems, consumables, as well as CNC motion and height controls and cutting software. 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 metal cutting innovation dates back more than 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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