

Hexagon Metrology and Hartwig, Inc. Announce Strategic Partnership

Hartwig will become Authorized Distributor of Hexagon Metrology Products

North Kingstown, RI – November 19, 2009 – Hexagon Metrology, Inc. of North Kingstown, RI, the world's largest supplier of metrology equipment and software, and Hartwig, Inc. of St. Louis, MO, the largest distributor of Computer Numeric Control (CNC) machine tools and metal cutting solutions in the central and mountain United States, today signed an agreement to form a strategic partnership.

The eight regional offices of Hartwig, Inc. will become authorized distributors of Hexagon Metrology's dimensional measurement products across a 14 state territory. Hexagon Metrology products are used in quality control applications for manufacturing and include programmable coordinate measuring machines, portable articulated arms and software under the Brown & Sharpe, ROMER and PC-DMIS brand names.

"Hartwig is extremely excited to join the Hexagon Metrology distribution network." said Gary Hartwig, president of Hartwig, Inc. "Not only are the products an ideal complement to the existing machine tool lines that we already sell, they represent the broadest portfolio of products in the dimensional metrology market and give us a wealth of new solutions to offer our customers."

"Hartwig is a prime example of the modern industrial distributor," said Angus Taylor, president and CEO of Hexagon Metrology, Inc. "By offering comprehensive solutions to the industrial market that cover all stages from design through manufacture, they truly can offer complete solutions to their customers. Hartwig's existing experience in the metrology market means that they will be able to quickly and seamlessly integrate our product portfolio into their extensive offering of solutions for manufacturing."

The partnership allows both companies to more effectively serve the increasingly sophisticated requirements of the manufacturing community throughout the central and mountain United States, particularly in the aerospace, defense, automotive, energy, windpower, and heavy machinery markets.

About Hexagon Metrology

Hexagon Metrology is part of the Hexagon AB Group and includes leading metrology brands such as Brown & Sharpe, CimCore, CogniTens, DEA, Leica Geosystems (Metrology Division), Leitz, m&h, PC-DMIS, QUINDOS, ROMER, Sheffield and TESA. Hexagon Metrology brands represent an unrivaled global installed base of millions of CMMs, portable measuring systems and handheld instruments, and tens of thousands of metrology software licenses. Hexagon Metrology empowers its customers to fully control manufacturing processes that rely on dimensional precision, ensuring that products manufactured precisely conform to the original product design. The company offering of machines, systems and software is complemented by a wide range of product support, aftermarket and value-added services. More information can be found at www.HexagonMetrology.us

About Hartwig Inc.

For half a century, Hartwig has been focused on helping its customers control their manufacturing destiny and keeping manufacturing in the United States. One of the largest machine tool and metal cutting distributors in North America, Hartwig owns and operates eight office locations covering 14 states in the Mountain and Central U.S. With a dedicated staff and heavy focus on after sale support and engineering, Hartwig continues to be an organization its customers turn to for their success. Hartwig is not just a machine tool distributor, but a company that makes sense doing business with. For more information, please visit the Company's website at www.HartwigInc.com.