



## **WINTRISS CONTROLS GROUP LLC AGREES TO ACQUIRE HONEYWELL MACHINE CONTROLS BUSINESS**

ACTON, MASS, October 2, 2009 - Wintriss Controls Group LLC has agreed to acquire Honeywell Wintriss Controls led by the current management team of *Mark Hatch, Dick LaBelle, Andy Baker, Ashok Bhide and Dawn Whelpley*. The transaction is expected to close in October 2009. Wintriss Controls will continue to develop and manufacture innovative automation and safety products for metalforming and data collection products for discrete manufacturing industries.

Commenting on the transaction, Mark Hatch, President, Wintriss Controls Group LLC, said, *"We remain fully committed to our customer base and to continuing our mission to provide solutions to improve productivity and safety. We have a strong team of people, products, support/ services and representatives to serve our long-standing customers and prospects and this change in ownership will be transparent to them."*

*"The management team has a long track record of serving the industry,"* said Henri Tausch, Vice President and General Manager, Honeywell Process Solutions' Field Solutions business. *"Under this new ownership structure, the company is well positioned for future growth in the rapidly changing global market. As Honeywell focuses on its core businesses, we wish them well in building their exciting business."*

Founded in 1959 by George Wintriss, Wintriss Controls has been providing electronic solutions to metal stampers for the last 50 years. The current product portfolio includes SmartPAC press automation controls, WPC safety clutch/brake controls, Shadow safety light curtains and LETS data collection software.

*During the transition period, Wintriss Controls will continue to operate out of its current location and maintain the current phone numbers, email addresses, etc.*

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