



Columbus McKinnon Joins N4 Systems' Field ID Safety Network

Toronto, ON – March 31 2009 – Columbus McKinnon Corporation (NASDAQ: CMCO), a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of material handling products has agreed to join N4 Systems' Field ID Safety Network. Field ID Manufacturer Edition will enable Columbus McKinnon to have full safety traceability of products they sell as well as take advantage of the Field ID Safety Network; sharing safety critical data with their vendors and customers.

“Field ID provides traceability throughout a product’s life, from cradle-to-grave. When implemented, our customers will experience a new and exciting way to manage inspections and safety compliance using N4 Systems web-based Field ID inspection and safety compliance system. Field ID combines RFID (Radio Frequency Identification), mobile computers and the Web to change the way inspections are administered. Field ID will give customers the tools and information needed to easily manage inspections and safety compliance. We want to help our customers be more productive and have added value services in their portfolio. Our products are frequently used in demanding applications and in harsh environments; by utilizing Field ID we are taking a giant leap in providing a safer work environment for end users. Columbus McKinnon is the leader in material handling and we are extremely happy to partner with N4 Systems, the leader in inspection and safety compliance software”, said Gene Buer, Executive Director at Columbus McKinnon Corporation.

“Columbus McKinnon represents a shift in the way manufacturers can support and provide value-added services to their customers. Not only is Columbus McKinnon providing their customers with traceability, information and the tools to ensure a safer work environment, they will be able to continuously improve their products based on data provided by their customers. Field ID will be exceedingly valuable in inspecting Columbus McKinnon’s products, which face increasingly difficult safety compliance regulations. We are truly excited about this partnership and we are looking forward to creating safer work environments wherever Columbus McKinnon products are used”, said Somen Mondal, CEO of N4 Systems.

About Columbus McKinnon Corporation:

Columbus McKinnon is a leading worldwide designer, manufacturer and marketer of material handling products, systems and services, which efficiently and ergonomically move, lift, position or secure material. Key products include hoists, cranes, chain and forged attachments. The Company is focused on commercial and industrial applications that require the safety and quality provided by its superior design and engineering know-how. Comprehensive information on Columbus McKinnon is available on its web site at <http://www.cmworks.com>.

About the Field ID Safety Network:

The Field ID Safety Network provides the first complete safety traceability service for organizations of all sizes. The Field ID Safety Network provides never before seen safety traceability by connecting each party involved in the safety compliance process including manufacturers, distributors, inspectors and end users. The Field ID Safety Network allows users to eliminate compliance paperwork and greatly reduce errors, guesswork and liability inherent with paper-based compliance and inspection management. Most importantly, the Field ID Safety Network creates safer workplaces and prevents accidents.

About N4 Systems:

N4 Systems Inc. is the market leader in Inspection and Safety Compliance Management (ISCM) for companies of all sizes. Through its flagship product line, Field ID, N4 Systems offers an integrated product line that combines advanced RFID (radio frequency identification) technology, state-of-the-art wireless handheld mobile computing, highly secure data management, distribution and storage, remote system management and support, and optimized high speed World Wide Web network integration. Field ID customers enjoy the many benefits of reduced operational costs, improved efficiency, accuracy and reliability, rapid data distribution and access, fully automated compliance and inspection forms and secure data storage allowing for real-time access to current and historical inspection data. Field ID makes the world of paperless safety compliance and inspections a reality.

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