



Strain Measurement Devices Marks Grand Opening of New Green Headquarters in Wallingford -One of the Greenest Buildings in Connecticut

Company Holds Ribbon Cutting Ceremony On Oct 15th For Its New 14,000 Square-Foot Green Corporate Headquarters Built In Partnership with CT Department of Economic & Community Development

Wallingford, Conn. (PRWEB) October 15, 2008 -- Engineered and designed to serve as a role model for corporate eco-friendly construction, Strain Measurement Devices is proud to announce that it will hold a grand opening celebration to mark the completion of its new green corporate headquarters at 55 Barnes Park North, Wallingford, CT at 10:00 AM on October 15th. Featured guest presenters will include Joan McDonald, Commissioner of the Department of Economic & Community Development (DECD) and Wallingford Mayor William Dickinson.

SMD's new 14,000 square-foot green headquarters incorporates an environmentally responsible and employee friendly design that provides recurrent cost savings through prudent use of green building techniques. Providing most employees with direct views of the outdoors, the building's green features include a sophisticated geothermal heating and cooling system, as well as skylights and exterior glass that will allow the company to operate with a large amount of natural light inside and help contribute to a pleasant working environment.

The building also includes a sophisticated water conservation system in which roof water is routed into a 3,000-gallon cistern and into a man-made wet bottom wetland planting area across the entire front of the building. The wetland contains four different planting zones of wetland flora as well as aquatic and amphibian species. During abnormally dry periods, water is pumped from the cistern via a solar powered submersible pump.

SMD's new building was built to allow for expected growth in the medical sensor market over the next decade. The company has strong relationships with many of the world's leading medical device manufacturers and needs additional capacity to meet future demand.

Fred Jackson, President of Strain Measurement Devices states, "From the first visit to the new site, we realized that we had the opportunity to do something special in terms of constructing our new headquarters. From our apple orchard to our wetland, as well as the picturesque windows and skylights, we have not only built a beautiful environment for our employees, but have successfully demonstrated that it is possible to construct a building which is friendly to the environment and at the same time lowers operating costs." He added, "This has been a collaborative partnership between many entities, including the Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development and the city of Wallingford, and we are thankful for their support."

About Strain Measurement Devices

Headquartered in Wallingford Connecticut, Strain Measurement Devices is a world leader in specialty sensor designs. The company develops load cells, strain gauge sensors, and electronic flow measuring sensors for medical devices and a variety of other products. An SMD sensor is used in a wide variety of medical, industrial, aerospace and other OEM applications. Custom designed sensors include medical sensors, non-invasive occlusion sensors, non-invasive flow, force measurement, load cells, air-in-line sensors, liquid level sensors, float switches and pressure transducers of many types.



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