



RTK Instruments is acquired by MTL Instruments Group plc

I am very pleased to formally announce the sale of a majority stake of the trade and assets of RTK Instruments to the MTL Instruments Group plc with effect from 31st May 2007. This deal has been concluded after very careful consideration of the benefits to all stakeholders and the change is expected to provide improvements for all parties involved with RTK, in particular for the staff, trade partners, customers and suppliers.

MTL Instruments have a world leading position in the provision of hazardous area control and instrumentation equipment and will be able to leverage its significant sales channels in addition to our established sales network to increase the sales of the RTK product range. RTK has been expanding rapidly, particularly internationally, over the last few years and the acquisition by MTL is expected to continue and accelerate this process.

MTL will also wish to utilise RTK's considerable skills in custom assemblies and sub-systems and will offer this as a value added service to its existing client base. RTK will continue to run as an autonomous company based at their facilities in Knaresborough reporting into the MTL Group based in Luton.

I am sure the weeks ahead will provide us all with some interesting opportunities under the leadership and guidance of MTL to the benefit of all parties. This strategic acquisition is seen as key to the onward development and growth of RTK in the global market place.

Assuring you of our continued support at all times.

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