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Hitachi Announces "PH Series" Small Character Inkjet Printer

Tarrytown, NY, August 15, 2011-- Hitachi America, Ltd., Industrial Component and Equipment Division, announces the launch of a new small character, continuous ink jet printer – the **PH Series**. Hitachi's new PH Series builds on the extraordinary success of the current P-Family printer line. The new PH Series maintains the all benefits of the highly successful PB and PXR series lines including:

- Advantaged cost of operation via innovative Ink Circulation System
 - Reduced Fluid Consumption and Evaporation
 - Lowest total cost to own over time
- Highest reliability resulting from a more rigid, durable, cast aluminum printhead with automatic nozzle and gutter cleaning, allowing for quick start-ups and less down time
- Easy to integrate existing PB and PXR users will recognize the same, proven, stainless steel cabinet design rated for industry standard dust and water protection (IP55) for easy integration to production lines
- Simple and inexpensive to maintain printer filter assemblies can be easily accessed from the cabinet front panel and replaced without the need for any tools. No need to purchase and dispose of expensive ink cartridges.
- Eco-friendly design underscoring Hitachi's commitment to the environment, all PH
 printers are designed and manufactured with European RoHS* Directives in mind.
 Additionally, fluids free of "chrome-complex dye" and 'ethanol-based inks' are
 available.

*RoHS: Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive 2002/95/EC

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