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Rockwell Automation Announces Global Agreement With ProLeiT

Agreement facilitates integration between ProLeiT industry solutions and the Rockwell Automation Logix Control Platform for faster startup and commissioning

MILWAUKEE, March 2, 2009 — Rockwell Automation today announced a global agreement with ProLeiT AG that will allow ProLeiT to more tightly integrate its Plant iT industry solution with the Rockwell Automation Logix Control Platform. Specifically aimed at applications in the brewing, dairy and related industries, the agreement will provide users with faster startup and commissioning of applications in an open architecture development environment.

Field-proven in a large number of applications worldwide, ProLeiT's Plant iT solution relies on a programmable logic controller (PLC)-based platform for production control and data acquisition. Under the agreement, ProLeiT will develop its Plant iT industry solution to more closely integrate with Logix-based programmable automation controllers (PACs) from Rockwell Automation. ProLeiT will also utilize FactoryTalk VantagePoint software, formerly known as Incuity, a manufacturing intelligence solution from Rockwell Automation.

“ProLeiT has established a strong reputation for providing PLC-based, industry-specific solutions in many areas of the brewing, beverage and related industries, and we look forward to helping the company expand on that effort,” said Steve Eisenbrown, senior vice president, Architecture and Software, Rockwell Automation.

“This agreement allows ProLeiT users to take advantage of the flexibility, scalability and multidisciplined attributes of Logix, the industry’s most versatile PAC platform.” The Logix Control Platform is a fully integrated, multidisciplined control system designed to help users optimize production and improve the flexibility of their manufacturing operations. The platform’s open architecture design allows users to integrate data between multiple systems to help reduce programming time and ease future migration.

“We look forward to working with Rockwell Automation and are excited about the performance-improving capabilities the Logix Control Platform will bring to our process control solutions,” said Wolfgang Ebster, CEO, ProLeiT. “This collaboration significantly improves the value of our process control offerings and gives our customers access to a proven, world-class control platform that offers superior design efficiency and broad application connectivity.”

Notes to editors

Rockwell Automation, Inc. (NYSE: ROK) is a leading global provider of industrial automation power, control and information solutions that help manufacturers achieve a competitive advantage for their businesses. The company brings together leading global brands in industrial automation that include Allen-Bradley controls and services, and Rockwell Software factory management software. Headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., the company employs about 20,000 people serving customers in more than 80 countries.

About ProLeiT

The company – with headquarters in Herzogenaurach, Germany and 10 subsidiaries all over the world – was founded in 1986. Today, ProLeiT employs more than 200 employees worldwide. ProLeiT provides complete automation solutions for the process industry. The whole sphere of automation and information technology from the field right up to the company management level is covered by extensive process know-how in the brewery, soft drinks, dairies, food, chemicals and pharma. The preparation of design and functional specifications, and the development of the user software, including commissioning, training, service and support, belong to the delivery scope for turn-key automation solutions. The technical basis is the in-house developed technology-related Plant iT process control system that is also made available for qualified partners.

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