



Canimex Torque Force announces new facility in Quebec

In August, Canimex Torque Force announced that the company had transferred its operations to its new 425,000-sq.-ft. facility located on a 1 million-sq.-ft. piece of land in Drummondville, Quebec, Canada.

With the addition of three fully automated Buhler aluminum die casting production cells and the automatization of existing production cells, Canimex is committed to its vision of lights-out manufacturing and is dedicated to its OEM component suppliers. With these investments, the company strives to remain a leader in the industry and to provide local redundancy to its customers. ■

Schweiss Doors expands with new manufacturing facility

In August, Schweiss Doors announced that the company has expanded its operations in Fairfax, Minn., by building a 440' x 140' steel building. The new structure will include 14 Schweiss doors, each measuring 40' x 16'.

"This expansion will allow us to meet the demand for business," said owner Mike Schweiss. "We will be hiring new drafters and designers to go along with our new manufacturing facility."

Schweiss Doors manufactures three styles of doors: the one-piece hydraulic door, the bifold liftstrap door, and designer doors ideal for businesses, sporting venues, museums, offices, and the residential market. ■

Allmark Door secures investment and names new CEO

In May, Allmark Door announced that it had received an investment from the private equity firm LLR Partners. The investment will enable Allmark to expand into new markets across the eastern United States and strengthen its position as a leading partner for door and loading dock maintenance.

As part of the transaction, Tom Woodruff has been named CEO of Allmark Door.

Woodruff brings more than 20 years of experience growing companies in the building systems and equipment maintenance services market.

Previously, Woodruff served as chief operating officer for Reedy Industries and in senior leadership roles at ABM Industries and Honeywell International. ■



Denco 2022 Open House fosters fun and fellowship

In August, Denco welcomed over 300 guests with old-fashioned fun and fellowship during their 2022 Open House and Hog Roast event held on July 15 at their facility in Millersburg, Ohio. The festivities began with a complimentary round of "golf with a shotgun" at the scenic Airport Ridge Sporting Clays where the top three shooters were awarded.

The afternoon activities included the workshop "A Technician's Guide to Springs, Drums and Cables" presented by Dick Lano of JVS Garage Door, vendor displays, food, games, kid's activities, and more than 150 door prize giveaways! The Denco event was a great success, reaffirming the company's commitment to its customers. ■





Overhead Door named top brand among women

In July, Overhead Door earned, for the eleventh consecutive year, the Women's Choice Award by Women Certified Inc. for America's Most Recommended Garage Door Brand. The honor recognizes the products and services most recommended by female consumers and is based on the results of a national survey distributed to up to 200,000 women.

The Women's Choice Award survey rates products from a wide range of industries, and it serves as a powerful indicator of a brand's commitment to their customers and helps to empower women to make smart consumer choices. ■

Guardian Access opens new manufacturing facility in Malaysia

In July, Guardian Access Corporation announced that its new 100,000-sq.-ft. die casting plant in Johor, Malaysia will be operational by the fourth quarter of 2022. The facility will add over 660 U.S. tons/month of aluminum die-casting capacity, which will help better serve the needs of garage door and spring OEMs worldwide.

Die castings, cable drums, and spring fittings will be the among the first product lines to be manufactured in the new facility. The state-of-the-art plant will incorporate robotics and automation in all processes. ■



Clopay highlights new products at AIA Architecture Expo

In June, Clopay Corporation exhibited their Clopay, Cornell, and Cookson products at the 2022 AIA Architecture Expo at McCormick Place in Chicago. The company highlighted the latest sectional, rolling, and entry door innovations at their booth, including the new Extreme Series High Performance Door System and VertiStack Clear Stacking Door. ■



West Fargo Fire Station installs Midland Door Solutions four-fold doors

In August, Midland Door Solutions installed five custom-designed vertical four-fold doors for a fire station in West Fargo, North Dakota. Engineered to open in 8-10 seconds, the 14' x 15' doors are ideal for emergency services vehicles to quickly exit the building. The fast-operating system also helps minimize heating and cooling losses during harsh weather conditions. Designed to complement the exterior of the building, the glass doors and red trim provide a classic and sleek look.

Midland's vertical four-fold doors require less than 12 inches of headroom and can be operated electrically or manually. The doors are used for a variety of applications, including fire departments, manufacturing facilities, historic buildings, and bus barns. ■





Surrey Recycling and Waste Center installs Schweiss door

In July, Schweiss Doors highlighted the Surrey Recycling and Waste Center project in British Columbia, featuring a newly installed 38' x 7" and 30' x 3" Schweiss bifold liftstrap door. The door, equipped with an automatic cable latching system, is positioned in a large transfer station opening into which the public can drive and deposit their recycling. ■



CPSG partners with Alarm Lock Systems

In July, Controlled Products Systems Group (CPSG) announced that it has partnered with Alarm Lock Systems, a Division of NAPCO Security Technologies, which specializes in the manufacturing and design of commercial pedestrian door technology solutions. Product Director Zach Eichenberger said, "This partnership underscores our commitment to our customers by providing them an even broader range of best-in-class solutions that meet today's end user expectations."

In addition to a broad range of legacy solutions, Alarm Lock Systems recently introduced Air Access — a cell-based hosted wireless access control system for small and medium-size businesses.

Customers can purchase Alarm Lock products from any CPSG branch location or online at controlledproducts.com. ■

Raynor Academy is open for registration

In August, Raynor Garage Doors announced that the second semester of its Academy courses are open for registration. The Academy courses are designed to train new technicians and keep seasoned technicians current on Raynor products.

Technicians have a multitude of door and operator courses to choose from, and attendees have the option to receive the Institute of Door Dealer Education and Accreditation (IDEA) certification. ■

Miller Edge designates new Central region

In August, Miller Edge announced the expansion of a newly established presence in the U.S. Central region. The regional restructure will increase personalized service from Miller Edge by providing regular and closer contact to customers included in the latest redevelopment.

The Central region includes Ala., Ark., Ill., Ind., Iowa, Kan., Ky., La., Mich., Minn., Miss., Mo., Neb., N.D., Okla., S.D., Tenn., Texas, and Wis.

The new designated region will impact the Eastern and Western regions by creating a more dedicated level of customer service across all regions in the United States. ■



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Clopay hosts annual Leadership Conference in Scottsdale

In July, Clopay hosted its annual Leadership Conference (CLC) from May 9 to 12 at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess in Scottsdale, Ariz. for qualifying Master and Authorized dealers from across North America. The CLC is an incentive event that provides a mix of business content, networking, and fun activities, at a beautiful destination.

Highlights included a sneak preview of new residential and commercial products, a keynote presentation by business strategist and award-winning author Meridith Elliott Powell called "Thrive: Turning Uncertainty into your Competitive Advantage," local sightseeing, and an awards dinner recognizing outstanding dealer achievements over the past year.

The next Clopay Leadership Conference will be held on May 3-6, 2023, at the JW Marriott Marco Island Beach Resort in Marco Island, Fla. ■



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ArmRLite project features NFRC-certified doors

In August, ArmRLite highlighted a New Jersey-based project featuring NFRC-labeled ArmRLite roll-up glass and aluminum garage doors. The founders of Wood Stack Pizza Kitchen in East Pine Brook, N.J., selected the ArmRLite doors to give their restaurant energy-efficient curb appeal. ArmRLite's NFRC-certified doors are also popular for residential use, as shown in the accompanying image.

ArmRLite's NFRC package offers maximum insulation values while supporting energy code compliance. Door dealers, particularly those located in areas like California and New York, rely on laboratory-tested and third party-certified door products that are designed to meet stringent energy codes. These doors feature 1"-insulated, tempered, argon gas-filled glass with Solarban 70 XL Low-E coating, a clear anodized finish, and polyurethane-insulated rails and stiles. ■



Overhead Door recognized in Builder Brand Use Study

In May, Overhead Door was recognized by Builder magazine's annual Brand Use Study, receiving the highest ranking for all garage door categories by more than 850 respondents.

Overhead Door has been awarded highest "brand familiarity," "most used in the past two years," and "used the most" overall. In addition, Overhead Door Brand was among the top three companies for highest quality garage door openers.

The Brand Use Study commissions an in-depth survey that pinpoints which brands the construction industry recognize and use most and how they rate their products' quality across 52 categories. The complete list of Brand Use Study winners is featured in the May 2022 edition and is available at www.builderonline.com. ■



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DoorBird offers IP Video Door Station webinars

In August, Bird Home Automation announced that the company will be hosting free webinars in autumn and winter 2022. Webinar topics include cases in single-family houses and multi-tenant and commercial buildings, customizing options in the 3D configurator, and integration in SIP telephone systems or building and home automation systems.

Each online event focuses on access control options for individual installation conditions, upgrading and retrofitting, and compatibility with other smart home systems. The 45-minute DoorBird webinars take place between Sept. 8 and Dec. 7. Newcomers as well as advanced users are invited to attend. ■

Akzo launches PVDF-focused campaign

In May, AkzoNobel launched a campaign to help its partners navigate the changing PVDF (polyvinylidene difluoride) supply chains. Increased demand from markets, such as electric vehicle batteries and solar panels, have led to interruptions in the supply of PVDF resin, which is commonly used in coil coatings. These interruptions have in turn affected the availability of some PVDF-containing products.



AkzoNobel has produced a suite of tools and information, including a series of Q&A videos with in-house specialists, to help its partners and end users. The aim is to educate their partners about the PVDF situation and enable them to make more informed decisions.

The videos can be found on the coil and extrusion website, YouTube channel, Canopy app, and are featured on the company's coil and extrusion LinkedIn and Facebook pages. ■

BD Loops releases new press and web kits

In August, BD Loops updated its Press and Web Kit with new images and descriptions for all its products. Suppliers and dealers can use these media kits to update their product listings on their website and catalogues.

The company also announced specific product updates. The BD-LG (Loop Goop) is no longer available and has been replaced by a new and improved sealant: BD-LS. The SB-B7 (7" blade) now has a 5/8" to 7/8" worm drive arbor, and its BD-Megger now features a color-coded display. The PR-3/16 (Pizza Wheel and Wedge Tool) has been redesigned with even more durable parts and a metal saw-cut groove clean-out hook. ■



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