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Vibro-Meter Among Boeing's Suppliers of the Year

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Vibro-Meter of Fribourg, Switzerland, (a Meggitt company) was honoured as one of the "2000 Suppliers of the Year" by the Boeing Commercial Airplanes Group. The award was presented in Bellevue, Washington, to Richard Greaves, managing director of Vibro-Meter, and Terry Twigger, chief executive of Meggitt PLC, in recognition of Vibro-Meter's supplier performance including product design, performance, quality and reliability, delivery and after-sales support.

Vibro-Meter's protection and condition monitoring systems are standard on many Boeing commercial airplane models. Vibro-Meter had recently signed a contract with Boeing to supply universal engine vibration monitoring systems, which can be fitted to all models within the 747, 757, 767 and Next-Generation 737 airplane families.

Vibro-Meter's new UEVM is an electronic hardware unit that is software-configurable, reducing inventory while simplifying installation and training.

Vibro-Meter will mark its 50th anniversary in 2002. The company pioneered the first reliable sensors and systems for vibration monitoring of aircraft engines. Today Vibro-Meter supplies protection and condition monitoring systems to manufacturers and users of critical turbomachinery all over the world.

Editor's notes:

"Meggitt PLC is an international group of companies recognised for its specialist engineering skills. Meggitt PLC is a world leader in aerospace, defence, electronics and control technologies."

"The Systems & Equipment award category includes all of the peripheral systems that monitor and control the engines in Boeing airplanes. In recent years, the added value provided by such systems has been crucial to the economic performance of the airplane."

"Vibro-Meter contributes to the safety and efficiency of the aviation, power generation, gas and petrochemical processing and space exploration industries, with sensors and systems that monitor the condition and performance of rotating machinery, especially gas turbines. More than two thirds of Vibro-Meter's business is in aerospace."

"A Vibro-Meter engine vibration monitoring system typically consists of engine-mounted sensors (piezoelectric accelerometers) connected to an electronic unit that detects changes in vibration levels. Modern EVM systems significantly enhance performance and reliability, while reducing the cost of maintenance and repair."

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