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# Industrial Valves

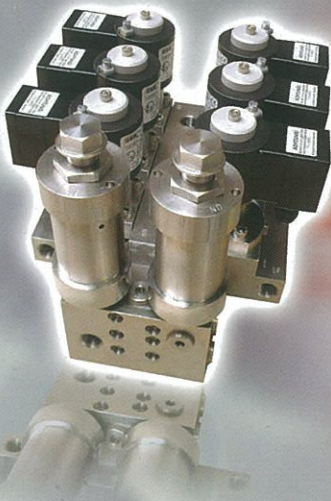
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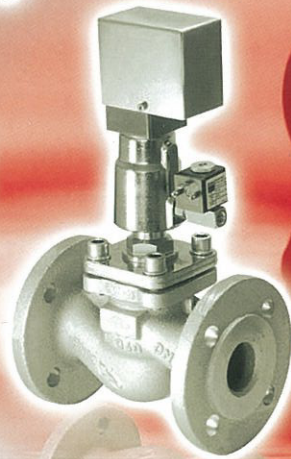
■ with positioner



■ for CNG filling stations



■ up to +300°C



■ with DIN EN 161 and oil brake



■ up to +500 bar



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VAG

## British Standard Kitemark approval for BS750 Hydrant

VAG-Valves UK Ltd. announced the award of the British Standards Institute Kitemark for the BS750 Underground Hydrant. The award is the culmination of many months of hard work and effort by the manufacturing plants in Mannheim (Germany) and Hodonin (Czech Republic).

This award further establishes VAG's long term commitment to supply products to the UK Water Industry and its dedication to providing products

to the highest achievable standards.

VAG-Armaturen GmbH is a German company with more than 130 years of experience in the design and manufacturing of heavy-duty valves for all kinds of water applications. With nearly 1,000 employees worldwide the valve manufacturer is a globally active company. With over 180 sales representatives, 11 subsidiaries and three production facilities VAG is at home around the world. ■

SAMSON

## History of instrumentation and controls: Own museum opened

By inventing an automatic steam trap and a temperature regulator for heating systems, Hermann Sandvoss took decisive steps towards modern automation technology over 100 years ago. These devices also laid the

foundations for the extensive product range of the SAMSON Group, which, today, is one of the world's leading manufacturers of control valves. SAMSON can pride itself on an unbroken chain of fundamental engineering in-

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SAMSON's Frankfurt headquarters. Numerous exhibits, documents, patents and images showcase how process automation progressed, from the early self-operated regulators, to pneumatic equipment and the beginnings of

electronic control. The historical treasures were collected from various places across the world and brought back to Frankfurt, where they were

meticulously restored to their original state. The SAMSON museum is mainly designed to serve educational and training purposes. ■

Georg Fischer

## Strengthening the position in Canada: Acquisition of Alfa Plastics Inc.

Georg Fischer Ltd, Schaffhausen/Switzerland, acquires the business activities of Alfa Plastics Inc. in Brampton (Toronto), Ontario. The company is a specialized distributor of plastic pipes, fittings and valves for water treatment, chemical processes and other industrial applications with annual sales of about CHF 4.5 million and 20 employees.

Alfa Plastics has worked together with GF Piping Systems for the past 20 years and is currently an important distribution partner in Canada. The company will be renamed Georg Fischer Piping Systems Ltd. and will be responsible for managing the Piping Systems activities in Canada. The new company is expected to be transformed from its present business as a distributor to a wholly owned sales, service and stocking

point for Canadian customers. In addition it will be used as a platform to provide current Canadian utility distributors with enhanced service and support on products from the recently acquired Central Plastics Company in Oklahoma, the leader in piping systems for gas and water distribution in North America. The transaction is expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2008.

GF Piping Systems is one of the three core businesses of the Georg Fischer Corporation and a leading supplier of piping systems in plastic and metal with global market presence. Connecting technology, fittings, valves, measuring devices and pipes are used for water conveyance and treatment as well as the transport of liquids and gases for industrial purposes. ■

Metso

## Acquisition of MAPAG Valves completed

Metso has completed the acquisition of MAPAG Valves GmbH from the Linde Group of Germany when the relevant approvals for the acquisition were received. The ownership of the company was transferred to Metso on June 12, 2008. The acquired company will be integrated into Metso Automation's Flow Control business

line. In connection with the transaction, the parties also have signed a long-term partnership agreement.

MAPAG Valves is a manufacturing company of high performance butterfly valves. It operates a modern factory in Horgau near Munich that employs close to 100 persons. MAPAG's products are used across a wide spectrum of in-