

Acromag Partners with Kepware for Communications

Acromag selects Kepware as an OPC Server partner, delivering drivers to support their products.

Portland, ME, **December 7 - 2009** – Kepware Technologies, the leader in Communications for Automation, announced today that it has been selected as a communications supplier for Acromag. Kepware will validate <u>KEPServer</u> for use with Acromag products, and will deliver these drivers to Kepware's long list of <u>OEMs and resellers</u>.

As a "Connected with Kepware" company, Acromag will work with Kepware to ensure Kepware will develop and deliver the best communication support for Acromag products. Kepware will deliver drivers for use on desktop (Workstation and Server) operating systems as well as Windows CE Embedded operating system environments used in many OEM HMI Panel products. Kepware will deliver Acromag connectivity with the vast range of automation industry software products through vendor defined native interfaces as well as latest OPC Foundation interoperability standards.

"Acromag has been recommending Kepware communications for their <u>BusWorks Modbus RTU</u>, <u>BusWorks Ethernet Modbus TCP/IP</u>, and <u>EtherStax Modbus TCP/IP</u> Network I/O products for several years," explained Roy Kok, VP of Sales and Marketing of Kepware Technologies. "This enhancement to our relationship ensures that Kepware is kept up-to-date with the latest Acromag developments and that both companies will cooperate to support our joint customers as effectively as possible."

"Kepware enables Acromag to offer proven connectivity to most software products on the market," stated Don Lupo, Director of Sales and Marketing for Acromag. "Their broad OEM and System Integrator customer base, combined with their variety of client interfaces and client toolkits is among the best in the industry. Their products and reputation for support and quality will be a great benefit to Acromag customers."

About Kepware Kepware is the world leader in communication software for automation and offers a unique experience in both OPC and embedded device communications. Since 1995, Kepware has focused on the development of communication drivers to automation controllers, I/O and field devices, OEM Licensable communications and Licensable OPC Interoperability solutions. Applications include M2M (Machine to Machine) and M2E (Machine to Enterprise) communications. Operating system support includes; Microsoft Windows Desktop, Windows Server and Windows Embedded (Windows CE and Windows Embedded NT/XP). Today, with over 140 communication protocols, and through the efforts of our direct sales, distribution and embedded partners, Kepware is the leading provider of communications with annual shipments exceeding 100,000 units. Kepware's responsiveness to customer needs and strong partnerships with other leading automation suppliers ensures that your next application will be a success. Ask around and you'll hear why automation professionals everywhere consider Kepware Technologies "Automation's Best Friend".

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About Acromag Acromag is an international corporation that has been manufacturing and developing measurement and control products for more than 50 years. World headquarters is located in Wixom, Michigan and they are represented globally thru a network of sales representatives and distributors. Acromag offers a complete line of industrial I/O products including process instruments, signal conditioning equipment, data acquisition boards, embedded i/o boards, distributed I/O systems, and network communication devices. Industries served include process, automation, test & measurement, military/defense, aerospace, semi-conductor, manufacturing, and scientific research laboratories. www.acromag.com

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