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Matthias Walter Named Chief Sales Officer For Hydromat Inc.

St. Louis, MO - As the new year began so did the tenure of Matthias Walter as Chief Sales Officer for Hydromat Incorporated, the industry leader in rotary transfer machining. Walter has been in the machine tool business for 25 years, "I am very excited to have Matthias leading the way for our sales efforts," stated Bruno Schmitter, President & CEO, Hydromat Inc. "he truly has a wealth of global experience and we are very optimistic about our future growth," Schmitter concluded.

Born in Pforzheim, Germany and later raised in the Stuttgart area, Matthias Walter attended the Bosch apprentice program and received a Skilled Worker Certificate as a Machinist before starting his collage studies in Mechanical Engineering. During this time, he was inducted for his mandatory military service. After serving 18 months with the German Army Airborne Unit, Matthias returned to earn his Engineering degree.

Soon after, Matthias joined Witzig & Frank as a Project Manager. Later he obtained international experience when he became Sales Manager covering the United Kingdom and Asia. In 1995 a position became available at Turmatic Systems, Inc., the St. Louis company that sold, engineered, built and serviced Witzig & Frank machines for the U. S. marketplace. Mr. Walter was offered, and he accepted, the job as National Sales Manager and he moved from Germany to Missouri.

During his tenure at Turmatic Systems he was promoted to Vice President of Sales, then to Vice President and soon to Executive Vice President before becoming President & CEO. Thyssen Krupp sold the Metal Cutting Group, including Turmatic Systems, to MAG in 2003. Matthias assumed the position of



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President - MAG Special Machines North America, and in January 2008 he was promoted to Chief Sales Officer for MAG Americas, and he also continued to ran Turmatic Systems as President.

Now, Mr. Walter has a new set of goals to achieve for the Rotary Transfer manufacturer, "We need to be more of a global player," said Matthias, "and I would like to expand the product portfolio of Hydromat. The ICON products, including the new ICON Tripod line-up are both key. These products with their premier technology will contribute to an increase sales."

What Mr. Walter is so excited about are the new 5+ axis Parallel Kinematics Machines (PKM), a totally flexible machining unit called the ICON Tripod, with several sizes being introduced by ICON Technologies, "There will be stand-alone ICON Tripod machining centers, as well as a PKM module inside the ICON 6-250 for even more flexibility," stated Mr. Walter, "We are creating the type of special machines this market needs...it should be an interesting year," he concluded.

Hydromat, Inc., is the industry leader in the manufacture and assembly of precision transfer machines — Rotary, Inline, and Trunnion models, the revolutionary AT Advanced Technology machines, as well as the newly introduced ICON 6-250 Productivity Center — and has a reputation built on a commitment to product quality, customer service and technological innovation.

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Caption: Matthias Walter appointed the new Chief Sales Officer (CSO) of Hydromat Inc.
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