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#### **APPOINTMENTS**

The National Association of Metal Finishers/New England Chapter elected Marko Duffy (MacDermid) its new president. The announcement was made at the New England NAMF's annual spring meeting May 7-8 in Freeport, Maine. The board of directors unanimously voted for Duffy, who will serve a three-year term.

Duffy handles technical sales for MacDermid and has 32 years experience in the industry. He has served as president of the Boston Branch of the AESF, as part of the organizing committee of the New England Surface Finishing Regional, and as a member of the Boston Tooling and Machining Association board of directors.

The NAMF is a trade organization dedicated to advancing the metal finishing industry throughout North America. As part of the global National Association of Surface Finishers, NAMF is an organization focused on providing both technical and management education and training.

Cleveland Vibrator Co. has promoted two long-time executives: Michael Valore has been named CEO and Glen Roberts has been appointed president. The company has also named Craig Macklin as the new vice president.

Valore will be responsible for the company's worldwide operating regions, long-range planning and management of supply chain, finance and administration functions. Valore has spent his entire 30-year professional career with Cleveland Vibrator.

Roberts will drive day-to-day operations and continue to lead sales, customer service, and quality assurance initiatives for the company's broad business-to-business portfolio of industrial vibrators and vibratory equipment. Roberts is credited with the launch of technologies that continue to be sought for a variety of industrial applications.

Macklin serves at the center of Cleveland Vibrator Company's next-generation initiatives, including oversight of acquisition and partnership activities in support of long-term strategies, new business line development, and exploration, evaluation and definition of new products and market channels.

For more information, visit www.clevelandvibrator.com.

#### **ACQUISITIONS**

Evans Analytical Group, inc. (EAG), a leading global provider of surface analysis and materials characterization services, microelectronics "release to production" and electronic failure analysis services, has acquired Chemir **Analytical** Services and its affiliates CAS-MI Laboratories and Cyanta Analytical Services. Chemir and CAS-MI will continue to operate under their current names, and Cyanta will begin the process to be renamed EAG Life Sciences to reflect its planned expansion of service offerings. All three laboratories will continue operations at their respective facilities. Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The acquisition of Chemir allows EAG to better serve the industry-specific needs of its diverse clients. This includes medical device and pharmaceutical companies that require FDA testing beyond materials characterization and clients seeking to develop novel coating technologies beyond surface analysis investigations. Furthermore, the addition of Chemir gives EAG's clients greater access to industry leading analytical capabili-

ties to determine the source of product failures or help defend a patent infringement case.

"With this acquisition we are excited that EAG can deliver our elite services to customers across a broader range of analytical, test and development offerings," said Harry Davoody, CEO of EAG. "The combination of our companies and integrated scope of services means EAG is a stronger partner for our clients, enabling them to more effectively achieve their time to market or solutions goals."

David Riggs, president of Chemir, added, "Chemir is pleased to become part of an organization as solid as EAG. Over the past year and a half, we have experienced our share of hurdles and with EAG as our new owner we have the financial resources and stability our clients deserve. We also feel Chemir's long-term growth will benefit tremendously from EAG's global reach and experience with international clients. Until now, Chemir has been primarily focused on U.S. clients."

#### **PARTNERSHIPS**

Technic, Inc. and STS Switzerland have announced their joint agreement whereby Technic will have exclusive sales and distribution rights to STS' vibratory technology, including the Oscillant, Vibarrel and Osciline products, in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Technic will inventory various size portable vibratory units and provide spare parts, repair and service from its equipment manufacturing facility in Pawtucket, R.I. Technic will also offer STS' Osciline technology, which is designed to provide greater efficiency while reducing the overall size of the equipment required.

As part of this agreement, Technic's proprietary plating equip-

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ment products will be represented in Europe by STS. This includes Technic's CDP-2000, an automatic controlled depth loose parts pin (Spouted plater, SBE Electroplater) and the Technic Tumbleplater. STS will provide technical sales, spare parts and service from its facility in Yvonand, Switzerland. Technic, with offices and technical sales personnel throughout Europe, will provide chemical processes to complement the specialized equipment.

In support of this joint agreement, Ben Roodnat will continue his role with Technic to provide sales and technical support of STS products in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION
The Masters Association of Metal
Finishing New York Branch recently
held is Annual MAMF Cocktail Party
and Awards Presentation. Epner



From left: Phil Fusco (New Brunswick Plating), MAMF President; Paul Brancato; David Epner; and JR Candiloro of Epner Technology.

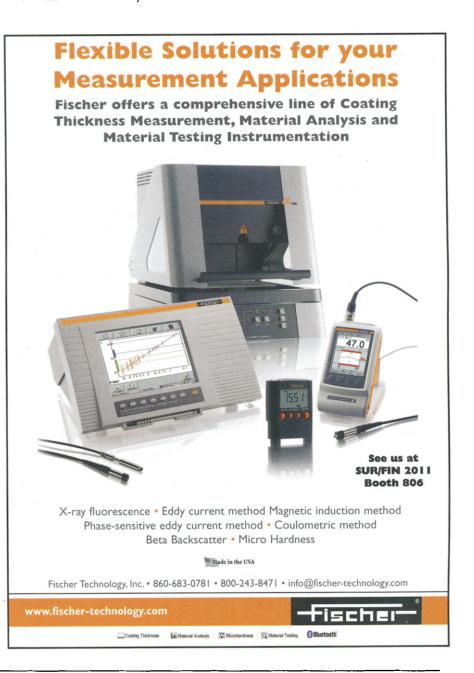
**Technology,** based in Greenpoint, N.Y., received the Stephen A. Candiloro Memorial Award in recognition for their innovative work in the industry. The Past President's Award went to **Ken Marino**, while **Chris Farren** and **Tom McGrath** earned Awards of Merit for their work on the merger of the PAMF and MAMF. Donna-Jean Plante, MAMF executive director, also received an Award of Merit. Event sponsors included Control Electropolishing and Pyromet (Gold), and Aeco and Little Falls Alloys (Bronze).

Columbia Chemical has been recognized as one of the top companies in Northern Ohio working to improve employee health, work/personal life balance, education, quality of life and sustainability in the workplace. The company was awarded first place in the COSE small business category by the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, which sponsored the program.

Columbia's Health & Wellness Committee spearheaded the company's participation in the application process. "It's a great honor for our committee and also the company," said Adam Anderson, Health &



Wellness chairperson. Columbia Chemical's health programs include walking and weight-loss challenges, discounted gym memberships, frequent health speakers and in-house flu shots. Anderson adds, "This award was not only a testament to the Health & Wellness Committee



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