

## **News from Innovative Components, Inc.**

Innovative Components, Inc. recently added seven new injection molding machines to both expand capacity and modernize its fleet. Additionally, four more new machines will arrive over the next four months. The majority of the machines are Nissei brand vertical injection molding presses. Several are also equipped with robots. Company President Mike O'Connor said: "This is consistent with our long-standing strategy of utilizing the best equipment in our market segment to achieve top efficiencies. Our continuous reinvestment in the business allows us to deliver great prices, top quality, and excellent lead times to our customers."

Innovative Components, Inc. also recently converted to IQMS EnterpriseIQ erp software. The software is utilized for all aspects of the company but is particularly valuable to the management of the manufacturing operations. All of the machines and work stations in the plants are interconnected via the software. The software updates the schedule and inventory each time a part is manufactured. Jerry Campos, Operations Manager, said: "Now, I am able to see every movement of every machine in both factories in real time. We are able to predict to the minute when jobs will begin and end. We have experienced a decrease in scrap, coupled with improvements in throughput and labor utilization." Not only is the software helping to reduce costs and improve quality, the company is also able to satisfy customer expedites and change orders more easily due to greater flexibility and more exact information in the manufacturing schedule.

Innovative Components, Inc. is an ISO 9001:2008 Certified Manufacturer of Plastic Knobs and Handles, Wire Rope Lanyard Assemblies, Positive Locking Pins, and Quick Release Hardware. The 24-year-old company operates plants in Schaumburg, Illinois, and Cartago, Costa Rica. For more information, visit [www.KnobSource.com](http://www.KnobSource.com), email [sales@KnobSource.com](mailto:sales@KnobSource.com), or call 800.885.9050.