

General Manager Hired to Oversee TACTIC Division of Laboratory Testing Inc.

Laboratory Testing Inc. (LTI) has hired a General Manager to oversee its new ultrasonic testing (UT) equipment division, TAC Technical Instrument Corporation (TACTIC), in Trenton, New Jersey. The position was filled by Michael Coulton, who brings over 30 years of high-level leadership experience to the company.

As General Manager of TACTIC, Coulton will have responsibility for developing and implementing operational business plans and strategic long-range plans, including organizational design and development, the supply chain, production processes, and new product and service offerings. For the past two years, Coulton was employed by McCarthy Engineering Associates, Inc. as Chief Operating Officer. His prior employer was Benjamin Obdyke Inc. for 30 years, where he most recently was the General Manager. Coulton is a graduate of Drexel University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce and Engineering Sciences.

TACTIC was purchased by Laboratory Testing Inc. on July 20, 2018. The two companies have a long-standing relationship going back to the early 1980's, when LTI purchased its first immersion ultrasonic test system from TACTIC to perform UT testing. LTI currently runs seven immersion UT systems manufactured by TACTIC on two work shifts.

TAC Technical Instrument Corporation has been in the ultrasonic inspection business since 1962, developing and selling a product line of immersion ultrasonic inspection systems and accessories, providing parts, repairs and training. The company previously performed independent ultrasonic testing services, which are now being offered through LTI. The majority of TACTIC's standard products are designed to inspect cylindrical materials, such as tube, pipe, bar and billet, however, the company has also provided UT equipment to inspect hexagonal and square billet.

“We anticipate a great future for TACTIC and are very excited to see how Michael will lead the division,” said Mike McVaugh, CEO/President of LTI. “His 30 years of experience in manufacturing, with positions of increasing responsibility, provide an extensive background in the areas of production, engineering product development and management to take TACTIC to new levels.”

Laboratory Testing is an accredited, independent materials testing laboratory that offers a wide-range of destructive testing, nondestructive testing and metrology services to businesses in the aerospace, power generation, defense, medical and other industries. Precision test specimens are prepared in the machine shop at LTI for all types of testing.

Laboratory Testing Inc. (LTI) of Hatfield, PA is an independent, family-owned materials testing and metrology laboratory in business since 1984. The laboratory specializes in metal testing, but also analyzes powdered metals, ores, ferrous alloys, polymers, composites and ceramics. The services offered by LTI include mechanical testing, metallurgical testing, chemical analysis, corrosion testing, nondestructive testing, specimen machining, failure analysis, dimensional inspection and calibration. All results are documented in Certified Test Reports or Certificates of Calibration. LTI is NADCAP and A2LA accredited, ISO/IEC 17025 certified and in compliance with ISO 9001 and ISO 13485. LTI Metrology, a division of Laboratory Testing Inc., provides

NIST-traceable dimensional inspection and calibration services. On-site calibration, repairs, new instruments and replacement parts are offered. Information on Laboratory Testing Inc. services and accreditations is available at www.labtesting.com, sales@labtesting.com or 800-784-2882.