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*Intrinsically safe rating for European Community included in MTS worldwide approvals...*

## **MR SERIES LIQUID LEVEL SENSORS RECEIVE ATEX APPROVAL**

CARY, N.C. (March 16, 2004) — Maintaining worldwide approvals for its liquid level sensor products, MTS Sensor announces ATEX approval for its MR Series liquid level gauges. The ATEX approval signifies that MR Series sensors may be sold and used worldwide as an intrinsically safe device. With the use of a separate intrinsically safe barrier, these MTS sensors may be used in hazardous locations where there is a potential for explosions via flammable gases, dust or vapors. The directive was adopted by the European Union and is required for use in all EU countries.

“Because many operations are now global, the ATEX approval has become very important to the pharmaceutical & chemical processing industry,” said Liquid Level Product Manager, Adrian Totten. “In effort to support harmonization of standards, MTS Sensors was among the first to apply for and receive ATEX approval on its level gauges.”

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The ATEX “ex” symbol carries with it approvals in the following plant designations: II1/2 G or II 2 G EEx ia IIB or EEx ia IIA T4.

MTS liquid level gauges are also CSA, FM, JIS and NEPSI approved.

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MTS Sensors is the world leader in magnetostrictive linear displacement technology. MTS Sensors is a global operation, with facilities in the U.S., Germany and Japan. In the U.S., the MTS Sensors Division has an ISO 9001 facility manufacturing rugged and reliable Temposonics position sensors as well as the highly repeatable and accurate Level Plus transmitters and gauges. With a strong commitment to research and development, product quality and customer service, the Sensors Division is constantly seeking ways to bring the highest value to customers.

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