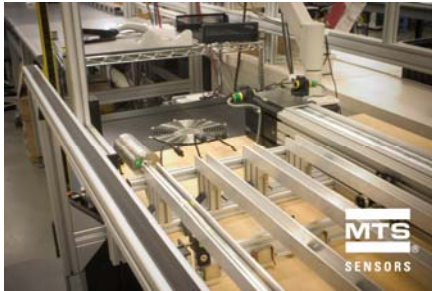




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Improved testing facilities decrease lead times...

ENHANCED TESTING FACILITIES AT MTS ENSURE SENSOR ACCURACY AND QUALITY

CARY, N.C. (July 26, 2006) — MTS Systems Corp. Sensors Division has enhanced the testing process for its sensing elements and decreased lead times for its USTD II sensors with new testing facilities at its factory. The USTD II is a state-of-the-art tester that checks the linearity of four sensing elements, or USTD II sensors, at a time by measuring the accuracy of the float position from the end of the gauge so the sensors do not need to be retested before shipment. This speeds delivery times while providing superior quality control for each sensor MTS ships to its customers.

“The testing facility is just the next step in offering better service and quality control to our customers,” said Adrian Totten, Sales and Marketing Manager for MTS. “The result is an innovative testing unit with unprecedented accuracy.”

The tester contains MTS’ most accurate linear transducer, the R-Series Canbus, which serves as the reference point on the end of the testing unit. The tester determines the accuracy of the sensor up to 75 microns, by testing its measuring capability along 50 points on the sensor. The tester then moves off the end of the sensor to determine if the sensor can read should the float falls off.

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After the test is finished, the tester provides a detailed printout of the test, which includes a pass/fail grade for the sensor and a graph of the linearity along all 50 points. The information for the sensor is stored within a database, which allows MTS to track every sensor tested and shipped. This information can be used by the customer to program an extra set of boards at the site, or in the event of a problem with a sensor, MTS can program a spare sensor on-site using the testing information.

MTS has also developed a Level Laser tester for the flexible sensors that uses a laser to measure the accuracy of the gauge. The laser hits a retroreflector and bounces back to the main unit, which determines the position along the gauge. This tester is accurate to 0.001mm per 1 meter of flex gauge. It can measure positioning for gauges as long as 18.3m.

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