MSA Expands V-Series Line of Fall Protection Offerings

Company Adds Two New Models to its Most Comfortable Harness Line

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 28, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- When working at heights, having access to comfortable equipment can make a world of difference, especially from the perspective of worker compliance and safety. That's why global safety equipment manufacturer MSA Safety Incorporated (NYSE: MSA) has invested in designing and manufacturing innovative and comfortable fall protection harnesses that meet a wide variety of needs – and budgets. Today, the company announced the addition of two new harnesses – called the V-FORM and the V-FIT – to its leading V-Series line of fall protection equipment.

The two new harnesses, which are available for immediate shipment, meet industry standards and are ergonomically designed to deliver exceptional comfort. Additionally, they include unique features, such as a patent-pending racing-style buckle, athletic cut, and pull-down adjustment that allow workers to quickly secure a fit that best suits them and will last throughout the work day, thereby enabling them to focus exclusively on their work.

The full V-Series harness line is now comprised of three full-body, racing-style harnesses that have varying price points and comfort levels:

- The V-FORM is the base model that features a patent-pending racing-style buckle, athletic cut to allow upper torso mobility, and pull-down adjustment.
- The V-FIT is the mid-range model and, in addition to the standard features, adds non-confining shoulder pads that conform with worker movement, along with patented leg straps that distribute webbing comfortably across the legs, thereby reducing pressure points.
- The V-FLEX harness, which was introduced in 2018, is MSA's premium model and further expands comfort options with vented pads for cooling and a patent-pending hip juncture that rotates with the worker to provide exceptional mobility while reducing the drag a worker would typically feel on a harness.

"Harnesses are a critical piece of personal protective equipment for fall protection," said Jennifer McGurrin, General Manager of Global Fall and Industrial Head Protection at MSA. "When wearing a harness all day, a worker wants to be as comfortable as possible. MSA is expanding our new line of harnesses to increase comfort – and therefore worker compliance. Our new range of harnesses allows workers to choose the features and price point that best meet their needs."

The V-Series brand of fall protection equipment is inspired by MSA's iconic V-Gard® hard hat, which is used by millions of workers around the world. Comprised of self-retracting lanyards and harnesses with varying price points and comfort levels, MSA's V-Series products offer one of the highest levels of fall protection available today.

For more information on the features and benefits that differentiate each of MSA's V-Series harnesses, please visit https://us.msasafety.com/vseriesfallprotection.

About MSA Safety
Established in 1914, MSA Safety Incorporated is the global leader in the development, manufacture and supply of safety products that protect people and facility infrastructures. Many MSA products integrate a combination of electronics, mechanical systems and advanced materials to protect users against hazardous or life-threatening situations. The company's comprehensive product line is used by workers around the world in a broad range of markets, including the oil, gas and petrochemical industry, the fire service, the construction industry, mining and the military. MSA's core products include self-contained breathing apparatus, fixed gas and flame detection systems, portable gas detection instruments, industrial head protection products, firefighter helmets and protective apparel, and fall protection devices. With 2018 revenues of $1.4 billion, MSA employs approximately 4,800 people worldwide. The company is headquartered north of Pittsburgh in Cranberry Township, Pa., and has manufacturing operations in the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America. With more than 40 international locations, MSA realizes approximately half of its revenue from outside North America. For more information visit MSA's web site at www.MSAsafety.com .



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