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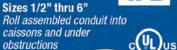
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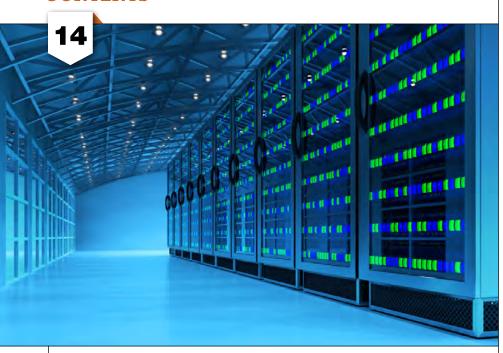
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Vince Miller started Miller Safety Consultants, a veteran owned business in 1999. The goal of the business was to provide cost effective safety consulting, employee training such as: confined space entry, fall protection, electrical safety and provide sales of electrical shock and flash protective equipment and fall protection equipment to businesses in the Washington DC area.

Reliance Industries provided fall protection products and much of the sales and training was on behalf of the supplier. In 2000, the owner decided to retire from his business, and Vince decided to discontinue the fall protection line of his business and concentrate more in the electrical training and products.

Vince had been a distributor for Certified Insulated Products (CIP), a manufacturer of electrical insulated tools and electrical arc flash clothing manufactured by Otex in Rochester, New York. As a distributor, Vince provided sales through his internet website and much through relationships with electrical contractors. His training was a classroom environment and was provided directly to customers but he also taught as a sub-contractor for other safety consulting companies and the

Chesapeake Safety Council in Baltimore, Maryland. In 2005, Vince partnered with Vivid Learning Systems in Cascades, Washington to provide on-line training in safe work practices.

Training in electrical safe work practices is still provided locally in the Washington DC area and as a partner with an electrical engineering firm and online. The training is based on the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) standards and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 70E standard.

Miller Safety Consultants is now a distributor for Cementex USA, Burlington, New Jersey, for insulated tools and equipment and clothing from OTEX Protective, Rochester, New York.

The majority of his sales of products are from the web-based store. Cementex is

nationally known for their quality equipment. Otex Protective is becoming more known for their quality clothing. For years, they have manufactured their products under other provider labels. Vince chose to not create his clothing line, but to sell the manufacturer product.

Vince has worked with many electrical company employees to fine-tune the clothing to be more comfortable for the user. Working closely with the manufacturer, they have made slight changes in how the cloth pattern was modified to meet final production. An example is the lightweight 40 Calorie vented hood offered by Otex.

The material is of the latest technology. The vented assembly is constructed for balance on the back of the hardhat and the airflow is 27 CFM to prevent fogging of the face shield and provide cooling to the worker. It took over a year to develop the product with the user prior to having the hood "flash tested". This product is now standard issue with many electrical contractors.

Being a small business and having quality providers has resulted in satisfied customers for Miller Safety Consultants. Being a direct supplier for OTEX Protective, another small business means customized customer needs can be met. 

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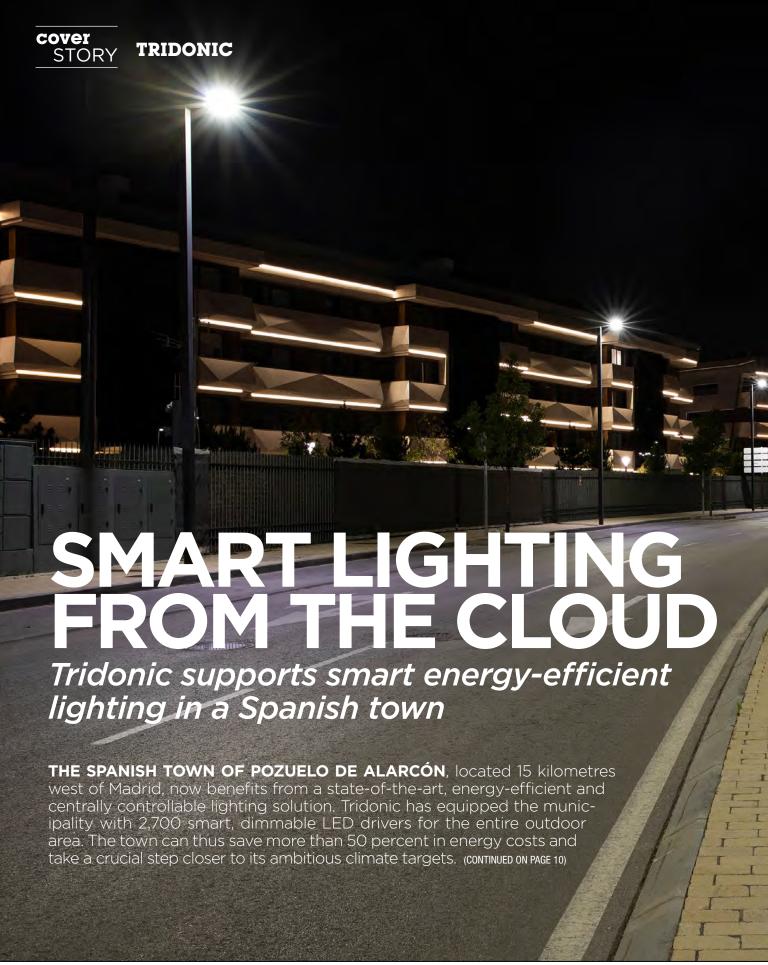
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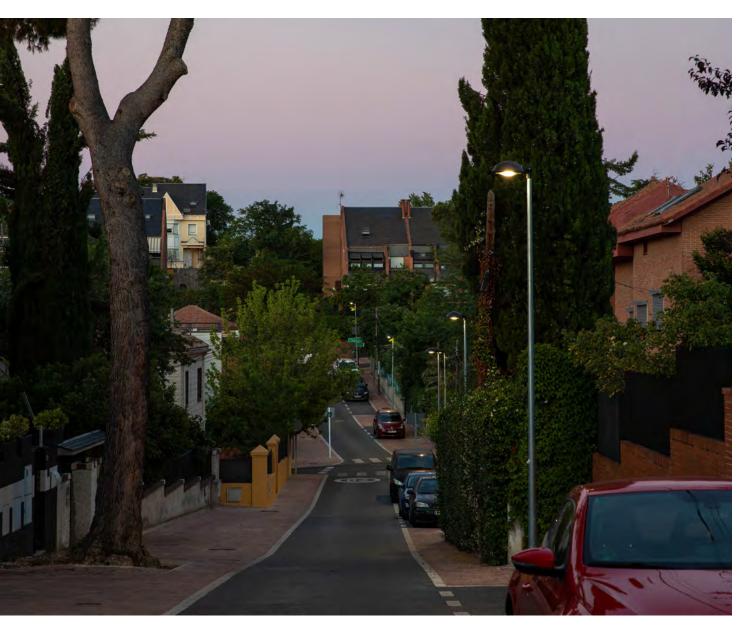
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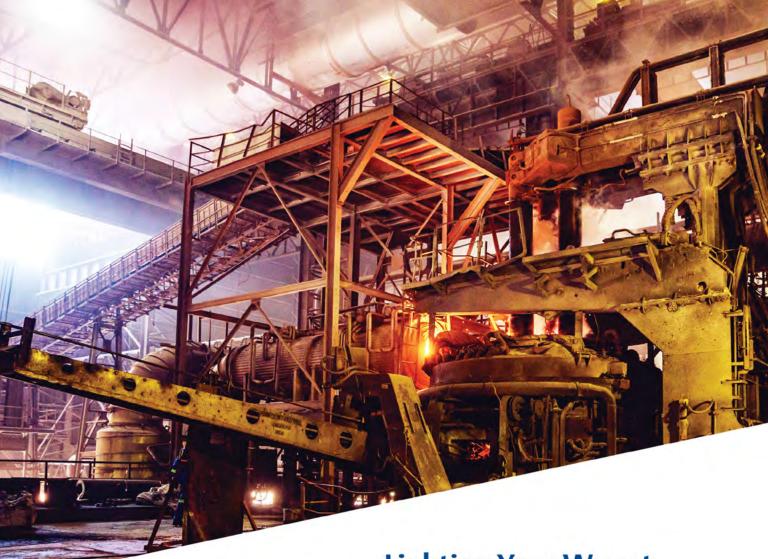


The municipal authority of Pozuelo de Alarcón has long been an advocate of climate-friendly, sustainable and resource-saving energy concepts. It decided that the entire street lighting should also meet these high demands and therefore planned to equip the existing lighting infrastructure with new, state-of-the-art, energy-saving technology. Since peer-to-peer communication in the town was already using the General Packet Radio Service (GPRS) protocol, the new luminaires had to be compatible with this technology. As a consequence, only suppliers who met this requirement were eligible for the project.

#### **Smart Lighting with Energy-Efficient LED Technology**

The authority opted to invest in an innovative smart lighting solution, for which the Austrian manufacturer Tridonic supplied highly energy-efficient constant current LED drivers. Project partner INEL-COM INGENIERIA ELECTRONICA COMERCIAL designed a total of 2,700 smart, dimmable luminaires fitted with intelligent LED technology. They were installed by the public lighting service provider ImesAPI Group. The special feature here is that the devices are part of a fully networked lighting concept and can be controlled and monitored centrally from the cloud. The operator therefore benefits from a precise schedule for maintenance work, alarm messages, clear consumption diagrams as well as sophisticated fault management.

The Tridonic drivers were integrated in each individual luminaire. Four different luminaire types were used - classic luminaires (Villa), street lights (Vial), luminaires for parks and gardens and decorative luminaires for residential areas and green spaces. In particular, the engineers installed 300 constant current 40 W LED drivers of type LCO 40/200-1050/64 PD+ NF C PRE3, 1,800 identical drivers with a maximum (CONTINUED ON PAGE 12)



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output power of 60 W (type LCO 60/200-1050/100pD+ NF C PRE3) and 600 pieces 90 W drivers of type LCO 90/200-1050/165pD+ NF C PRE3. Around 50 existing drivers had to be replaced because of various serious installation problems.

## Remote Control of Dimming Profiles and Driver Performance

"It was important for us to be able to program the dimming profiles remotely. Driver performance also had to be diagnosed remotely," says Ana Cebrián Condado, Municipal Engineer from of Pozuelo de Alarcón. "Tridonic's driver solutions were able to meet these requirements without any problems."

Since the new lighting infrastructure was put into operation the town has been able to fully meet its high energy efficiency requirements. By switching the luminaires to LED technology, power consumption has been reduced by more than 50 percent. Further energy savings result from the use of individual dimming profiles. And the inhabitants of Pozuelo de Alarcón also benefit from the upgrade: Visually attractive luminaires with a particularly warm and pleasant light improve the quality of life in the town.

## High Ecological Benefits and Easy Management

"The new lighting is impressive all round. Now we can fully meet our high ecological standards. And with central, cloud-based management including transparent monitoring functions, inventory optimization and simplified maintenance, we are saving ourselves time and money," says Ana Cebrián Condado.

#### **ABOUT TRIDONIC**

Tridonic is a world-leading supplier of lighting technology, supporting its customers with intelligent hardware and software and offering the highest level of quality, reliability and energy savings. As a global driver of innovation in the field of lighting-based network technology, Tridonic develops scalable, future-oriented solutions that enable new business models for lighting manufacturers, building managers, systems integrators, planners and many other types of customers.

To promote the vision of the Internet of Light, Tridonic forms partnerships with other specialists. The goal is the joint development of innovative technological solutions that convert lighting systems into intelligent networks and thereby enable associated services. Its profound, technical industry expertise makes Tridonic an ideal driver for industry partnerships with other visionaries.

Tridonic is the technology company of the Zumtobel Group and is headquartered in Dornbirn, Austria. In the 2020/21 business year, Tridonic generated sales of Euro 302.8 million. 1,808 highly skilled employees and a world-wide sales presence in over 70 countries reflect the company's commitment to the development and deployment of new, smart and connected lighting systems.

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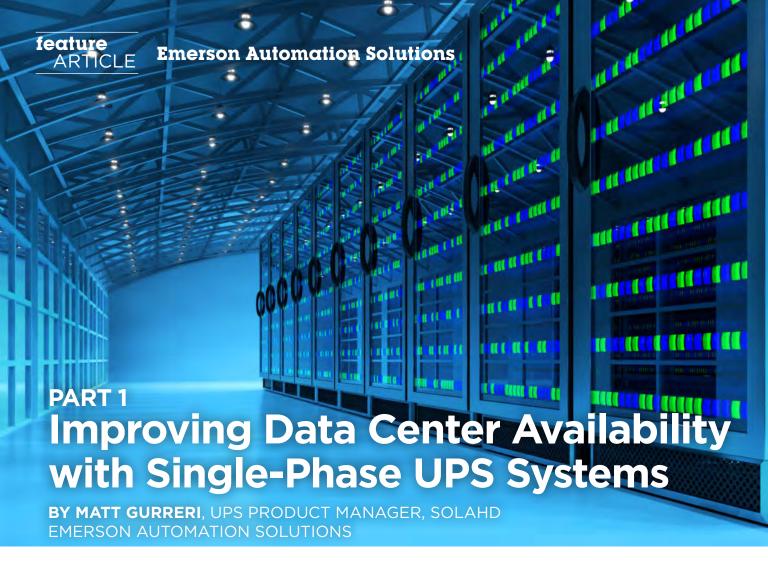


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To give a sense of the volume of information being processed by data centers, consider eBay. It processes 300 billion data queries each day, with a data footprint exceeding 500 petabytes (4e+9 GB). That is enough to backup the American Library of Congress more than 300 times.

While the economy depends on data centers for a variety of reasons, the more than seven million data centers operating around the world depend on one common factor for their 24/7/365 availability: the reliable supply of electrical power.

#### **Downtime Costs**

Data centers that are experiencing regular power outages risk their temperature control systems shutting down, potentially leaving the estimated 18 million servers deployed worldwide within them vulnerable to the dangers of overheating and condensation changes. Both can limit a server's capacity to safely store data and may permanently damage its operation. According to a 2018 survey by Uptime Institute, 31% of (CONTINUED ON PAGE 16)







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data centers experienced a power-related downtime incident or severe degradation that year and 48% reported at least one outage at their site or at a service provider in the previous three years. This problem has only grown more severe – and more expensive – since then.

Downtime due to a power outage has grave consequences for data centers. Gartner reports that data center downtime costs \$5,600 per minute or between \$140,000 and \$540,000 per hour depending on the organization. Based on an average reported incident length of 90 minutes, the typical cost of a single downtime event was approximately \$505,500.

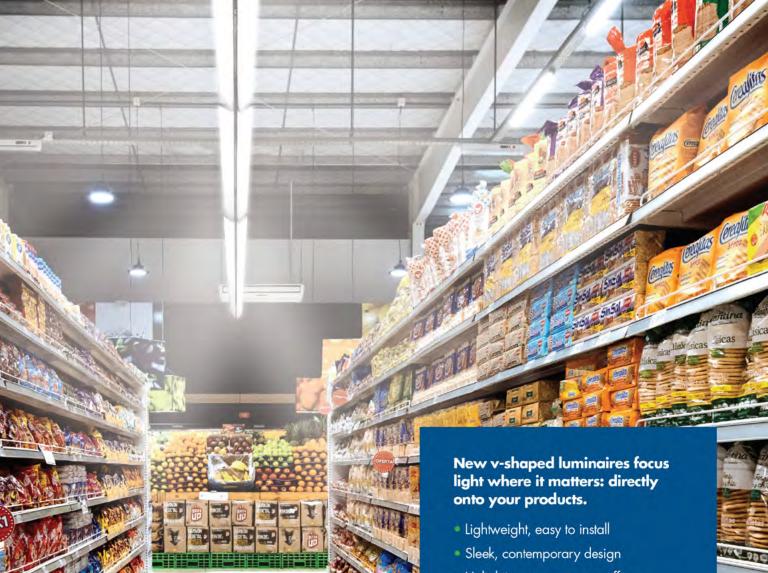
These costs are calculated applying such things as data loss or corruption, employee and equipment productivity reductions, equipment replacement, root-cause detection and recovery actions, legal and regulatory repercussions, revenue loss, and the long-term repercussions on reputation and trust among key stakeholders. While business disruption and lost revenue are cited as the most significant cost consequences of downtime, other less obvious costs also have a significant impact on an average downtime event. For example, every second a data center experiences downtime, their clients experience downtime as well, creating a cascading effect of losses.

#### **UPS Battery Related Failures**

A survey conducted by Emerson showed that more than 39 percent of data center outages were attributed directly to vulnerabilities in the facility's power. Among the general root causes of data

center downtime related to power, UPS (uninterruptible power supply) battery failures proved to be the most costly (\$687,700) and accounted for one-quarter of all such events. The battery in a UPS proved to be the most vulnerable part of the system.

Having a system of UPS is essential in any data center, large or small, to ensure service continuity. UPS provide critical backup power if the primary power source goes offline due to a disruption or a catastrophic emergency. It bridges the short-term loss between utility power failure and backup generator operation. In addition to backup power, a UPS provides protection against surges, sags and other disruptions that can severely damage connected devices, reduce their lifespan, or affect their overall performance. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 18)



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#### Why Do UPS Batteries Fail?

Like every battery, UPS batteries have a built-in lifespan (approximately 3-6 years) and require replacing when they can no longer supply 80 percent of rated capacity in ampere-hours. However, UPS battery life may be compromised by several factors other than time. For instance, if ambient temperatures are too warm or if the battery is subjected to wide temperature variances, it is put at serious risk of degrading. In general, if the temperature drops below 22 °C, UPS batteries will underperform or sustain damage. On the other side of the ledger, operating above 25°C will result in increased battery capacity but reduced battery life. As a guideline, every 8 °C rise in temperature above 25° C cuts the battery life in half.

Over-cycling is another culprit. "Cycling" refers to when a battery is discharged and recharged. If this happens too often it reduces the capacity of a battery and causes deterioration of the battery contacts. Constant discharging of batteries will send them to a premature end-of-life. In addition, UPS batteries may fail due to incorrect float voltage, as well as leaving them in storage too long without re-charging, or as a result of simple human error.

#### **UPS Battery Overheating**

Overheating is by far the most frequent

cause of UPS battery failure and the accelerating of the aging process. Even batteries designed for high-temperature chemical reactions are not immune to heat induced failures due to parasitic reaction within the cell. Overheating will happen in a data center due to:

- Air conditioning not producing a sufficient volume of chilled air. This event commonly happens when an older UPS is replaced with a larger capacity UPS. Hot summer days can also lead to air conditioning not providing the needed amount of cooling. Air conditioning units must be serviced regularly to ensure the proper cooling of each UPS system.
- Dust build-up inside the UPS is an unseen villain that causes overheating of not just the battery but of all the components of the UPS.
- Fans used to cool the UPS may fail. In a multi-fan system a single fan failure may go unnoticed.
- An overloaded UPS continuously operating at 100% or higher will overheat.
- A UPS that is installed in an area without proper ventilation will overheat.

## Three-phase and Single-phase UPS

Three-phase UPS are commonly installed in data centers for larger equipment with higher power requirements distributed over longer distances. A

single-phase UPS is generally used for smaller loads within the data center, for instance, for HVAC and control equipment, network workstations, VoIP, rack or distributed servers, and safety/security systems. Smaller remote IT centers and edge data centers may rely entirely on single-phase UPS to keep infrastructure operational.

For the purpose of this article we are only reviewing issues regarding single-phase units in data centers. Until recently it was thought that only loads less than 20kVA could safely use a single-phase UPS. Yet most quality industrial-grade single-phase UPS are now fully capable of handling much higher kVA applications in a broader range of VDC without failure. For low- to mid-power requirements, single-phase UPS are more efficient than three-phase UPS, striking the right balance of price, energy density, power, and resiliency. Correctly specified and installed, an industrial single-phase UPS will intercept virtually any potential power disruption the data center may experience, while maintaining electricity at a consistent rate, and providing critical power in the event that the commercial power source is down.  $\Box$ 

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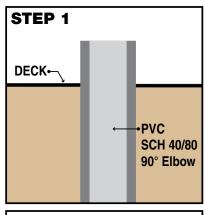
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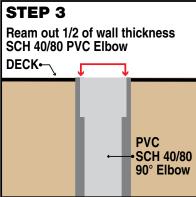
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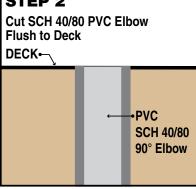
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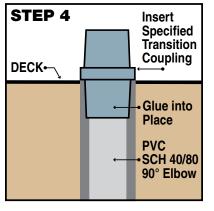






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- Semi-transparent breaker: Gives customers direct visibility to auxiliaries installed within the breaker and provides simplified retrofitting with additional accessories
- Zigbee wireless technology: Coming soon, PowerPacT breakers will be compatible with optional wireless technology for accessories. Zigbee saves customers time by eliminating the need to hard-wire connections and improves productivity by providing real-time remote notifications

"We designed PowerPacT specifically from customers' insights to address the most important pain points they were facing with breakers," said Rohan Kelkar, Executive Vice President for Global Power Products at Schneider Electric. "These features will transform daily operations for customers and contractors who would otherwise spend hours trying to locate a single tripped breaker or disassemble panels to repair a faulty device or locate important product information."



The new PowerPacT series saves valuable time and resources while reducing risk, simplifying installation and maintenance, and offering scalable upgrades which are future-proof to meet environmental standards. PowerPacT MCCBs provide a clear opportunity for contractors, specifiers, electrical OEMs and distributors to increase power resiliency and mitigate circuit breaker trip issues for hospitals, utilities, electrical construction sites and more.

Schneider Electric's PowerPacT solution was on display at the 2021 NECA Convention in Schneider Electric's Interactive Booth #1553 and the Showstopper Showcase.  $\Box$ 

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# McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. Partners with Kenzen to Pilot Wearable Heat Safety Technology

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Perennially recognized as one of America's safest builders, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. is partnering with Kenzen to pilot wearable heat monitoring technology on multiple construction projects. Kenzen's smart PPE devices monitor the heat status of workers in hot and humid conditions, helping predict and prevent heat stress and illness. Together, the organizations will gain valuable insight into how the technology can minimize the risk of heat illness and protect the broader construction workforce.

"Safety is the most important thing we do every day, and on many projects that includes heat awareness and heat illness prevention," said McCarthy Vice President National Safety Pat Devero. "The Kenzen system is already helping us identify new ways to prevent heat illness, assist in validating our current practices and heat illness expectations, and is a great example of how embracing technology can improve our industry's approach to health and safety."

The Kenzen device is a sensor worn on a worker's upper arm that monitors,





in real-time, an individual's physiological markers that trigger heat injury risks. This includes a sweat rate monitoring feature that uses a worker's information and physiological data to calculate and predict their sweat rate in liters per hour. Using a proprietary algorithm, the Kenzen device can alert workers of dangerous heat stress via a smart phone app. The data helps eliminate guesswork about how to keep workers safely hy-

drated and makes it possible for individual workers to know the specific amount of water they need to drink to stay safe.

On-site managers have access to alerts and corporate safety leaders use an analytics dashboard to monitor and evaluate risks to individuals and teams, helping them optimize worker safety. McCarthy will use the technology to identify broad trends that affect all projects and implement preventative (CONTINUED ON PAGE 26)



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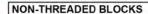
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measures to increase safety and productivity.

"The Kenzen pilot was a valuable program for our jobsite," said Andrew Rhines, McCarthy Project Safety Coordinator in Texas. "It benefitted the craft professionals on our site and the data gathered by Kenzen helped verify many different aspects of our national heat illness prevention plans including water consumption and scheduled breaks."

McCarthy and Kenzen are equally committed to protecting user data; the system does not reveal personal information or reasons why someone is in a particular heat risk category; it is only used to monitor and manage people according to their individual heat susceptibility.

McCarthy makes education about heat illness and injury prevention a priority during the spring and early summer as temperatures increase. The company shares educational information internally, hosts on-site educational and training sessions, and makes resources available

for its workforce in-person and online. On projects in high heat areas, McCarthy provides hydration aids, shade stations, cooling fans and brimmed head protection to reduce heat. It's also common for the projects to alter schedules, allowing the day's work to be completed before the hottest portion of the day.

From 1992 through 2017, there were 70,000 serious injuries and 815 deaths caused by exposure to excessive heat, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Of the 492 occupational fatalities attributed to exposure to environmental heat from 2003 to 2016, 179, or 36 percent, were in the construction industry.

"McCarthy is a leader in exploring all opportunities to keep employees safe," said Heidi Lehmann, Kenzen co-founder and President. "With the Kenzen system, they can tailor their approach to individuals, teams, and projects because they have access to new, highly detailed information. This information helps manage risk, realize increased productivity,

and meet every worker's unique requirements for working safely."

McCarthy has selected several pilot opportunities for the Kenzen system on jobsites in Arizona, Georgia and Texas. Employees using the system understand the protective value it offers and appreciate receiving notifications about their core body temperature, sweat rate, and hydration status – when they should stop and rest, and when it's safe to return to work.

"The Kenzen system has been a successful initiative for our team and how we approach heat illness risk onsite," said Sean Blakemore, McCarthy Project Safety Manager in Texas. "The entire Kenzen team is resourceful and is helping us maximize management of the program. The data we're gathering is a significant benefit for us to not only verify and confirm our current approach, but it also helps everyone understand what drives the additional mitigation measures we take in order to send everyone home safely at the end of each day."

#### **ABOUT MCCARTHY**

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Topaz Senior Product Manager, Michael Neary notes, "Topaz has always been committed to upholding the rigorous criteria set by our partners at DLC. The Gen 2 offers the same quality and performance of our original Eclipse high bay fixture, with an improved construction that aligns with evolving industry standards."

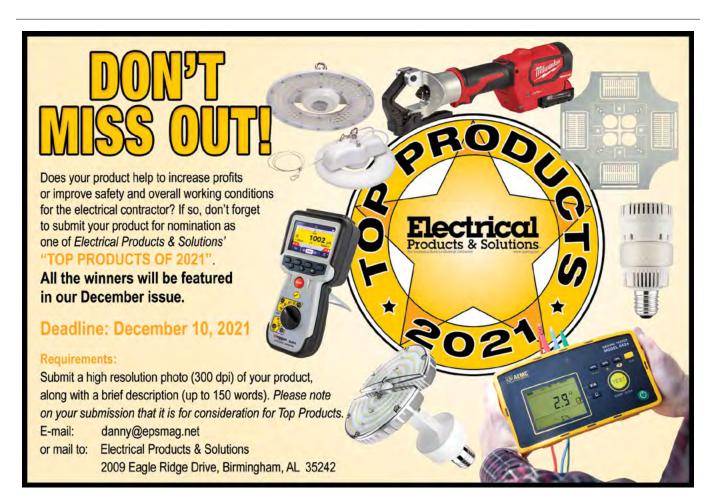


The Eclipse Gen 2 features a slim, die-cast aluminum housing with a black, powder-coat finish and an IK08 impact-rated polycarbonate lens for durability and safety. Suitable for use 24 hours, 7 days a week in ambient temperature locations up to 122°F, the fixture's integrated cooling fins ensure maximum heat dissipation and a longer life span in demanding environments. The Eclipse Gen 2 is optimized for warehouses, manufacturing facilities and gymnasiums and is compatible with Topaz's emergency battery backup kit. For a complete list of compatible accessories and product specifications visit www.topaz-usa.com.

The Eclipse Gen 2 is rebate eligible in major markets across the country including New York City, Phoenix, Dallas, Los Angeles, Chicago, San Antonio, and Las Vegas. The Topaz online Rebate Finder (www.topaz-usa.com/rebate-finder) matches qualifying Topaz products with utility provider rebates and supplies support documentation necessary to take advantage of significant savings.

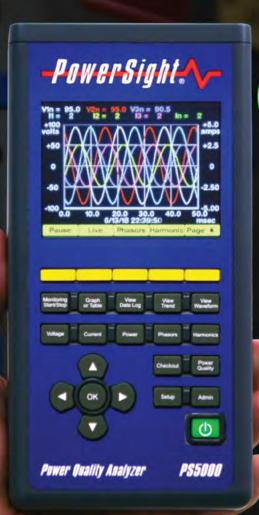
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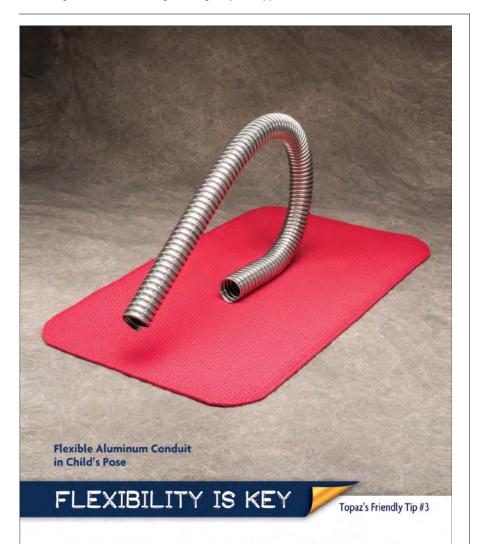




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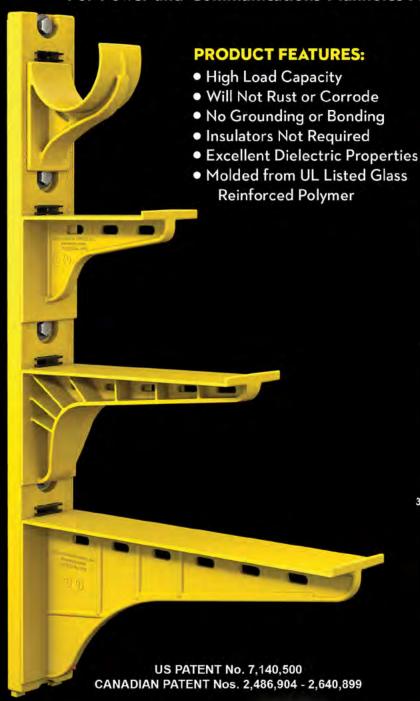
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