**IMS, Inc. to become Claranor's new distribution partner for USA**

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**Claranor** announces its new partnership with the Ohio-based company **Industrial Machining Services, Inc.** to distribute its packaging sterilization equipment in the United States. This partnership, through dedicated sales and technical services, will expand the commercialization of Claranor's pulsed light packaging sterilization technology in the American market.

IMS is already a key player in the US food industry with its Sanitary Processes divison that specializes in design, build, and installation of various sanitary processes for the food, dairy, and beverage industries. The company expands its capabilties with an exclusive distribution contract for pulsed light sterilization units built by the French company Claranor.

"Claranor is glad to work with IMS in the United States. We're convinced that their industry knowledge and skillful employees will be great assets in the development of our US presence in the wide and dynamic market of dairy and beverage products," states Christophe Riedel, Claranor's CEO.

“We are excited to join forces with Claranor and expand our capabilities in our Sanitary Processes division, and feel this new technology can really benefit the US market,” says John Puthoff, founder and President of IMS. “Our knowledge, history, and ability to integrate Claranor’s cutting-edge technology in the dairy and beverage industry makes for a perfect partnership.”

IMS and Claranor will exhibit together in several events this year, including the **International Dairy Show** (Chicago, 15-18 Sept) and **PACK EXPO** (Las Vegas, 28-30 Sept), and have already begun work on several opportunities in the United States.

**About Claranor**

Claranor is based in Avignon, France, and employs 30 people. The company designs and builds pulsed light units for inline packaging sterilization, using neither chemical disinfectants nor water, to manufacturers of sensitive food products, especially beverages and dairy products. Claranor has sold more than 150 sterilization solutions throughout the world since its creation in 2004, both directly to industrial end-users and through manufacturing partners who sell complete production lines**.** Among these, 15 units have been installed in the US for cap, cup, and bottle neck sterilization.

**Learn more at www.claranor.com**

**About IMS, Inc.**

IMS was founded in 1996 and currently employs approximately 65 employees.  We design, build and install specialty equipment for the automotive and food processing industries along with sanitary process piping and modular skid designs.  While our customer base is found mostly in the US, we also work with several international companies.  Our engineering department uses Solid Edge 3D modeling and has experience installing and integrating Claranor pulsed light systems.  IMS currently operates out of a 30,000 sq ft manufacturing facility and will be adding a new 42,000 sq foot assembly facility in the next few months, both located in Fort Loramie, OH.

**Learn more at www.ims-spi.com**

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