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OEE.COM – A NEW RESOURCE FOR OEE TOOLS AND TRAINING

Itasca, IL (November 28, 2005) – Vorne Industries, Inc. has launched www.oeec.com, a new lean manufacturing resource devoted specifically to the study and understanding of Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE). The oee.com web site was developed as a one-stop destination for those seeking to understand OEE and how it can be applied to improve plant productivity, effectiveness and ultimately the bottom line. It takes a common sense and practical approach to presenting both the theory and practice of OEE, optimized and organized for fast reference and directed learning.

The site is organized around a series of logical, easy-to-follow lessons that deliver key OEE concepts including *Fast Track OEE* (an introduction), *OEE Factors*, the *Six Big Losses*, *World Class OEE* and *Calculating OEE*. Additional resources include a comprehensive glossary that delivers concise definitions of dozens of OEE-related terms and an FAQ area that answers the most frequently asked, real-world questions regarding OEE.

Free downloadable tools available at www.oeec.com/tools include *The Fast Guide to OEE* – a 25 page distributable training guide, the *Calculating OEE Worksheet* with step-by-step instructions for performing OEE calculations, and the *Calculating OEE Spreadsheet* – an automated version of the worksheet. Visitors are encouraged to request the *OEE Pocket Guide*; a full-color pocket-sized training tool developed by Vorne Industries and distributed free-of-charge. The *OEE Pocket Guide* is a highly effective tool for training plant-floor employees on the core concepts of OEE.

Comments from those who have previewed the site:

"I found your oee.com web site to be very, very useful. While searching the Internet for lean manufacturing info I happened upon many sites that provided OEE data but none that delivered the calculations, ideas and concepts as well as yours. Clearly the best OEE web site on the Internet – and that is coming from a Production Manager!"

Production Manager | ISO 9001 Electronic Products Manufacturer

"I just started a new job where OEE is an extremely important metric. I found your OEE web site and downloaded the Fast Guide to OEE... It was tremendously helpful in getting me up to speed with OEE. I found it very easy to understand. Thank you..."

Engineer | Lean Manufacturing Consulting Firm

"The Fast Guide to OEE gives the reader a very fast overview and understanding of OEE. I found it to be extremely helpful and easy reading that took the mystery and anxiety out of OEE. Prior to reading the Fast Guide, I had a general understanding of OEE, but some misconceptions that I kept getting hung up on. The Fast Guide quickly cleared this up for me. I highly recommend it to our plant managers and engineers."

Senior V.P. Quality Assurance | Entertainment Media Manufacturer

The oee.com web site is unique in that it not only delivers the fundamentals of OEE in an easy-to-digest format, but also gives the reader experience-based suggestions for implementing, improving and understanding overall equipment effectiveness.

About Vorne

Vorne specializes in products that improve manufacturing performance with minimal disruption to existing infrastructure, and is considered a leader in the practical application of OEE. Vorne has been invited to present OEE to numerous manufacturing groups and conferences including the Paperboard Packaging Council Leadership Conference, the Printing Industries of America and Graphic Arts Technical Foundation and National Manufacturing Week.

Vorne extensively researches lean manufacturing best practices, and constantly folds research results and customer feedback into the product development process. Vorne's goal is to continually bring innovative products to market that improve their customers' bottom line through enhanced awareness of manufacturing performance. Many of Vorne's products include real-time OEE performance tracking and Visual OEE™ - a highly visible real-time score for manufacturing efficiency. For more information, visit www.vorne.com.

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