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Summit Industries partners with Silicon Valley-based Bedrock Automation to help manufacturers keep their plant data safe from Cyber Threats

Summit Industries, a Dayton-based distributor of automation control components to the manufacturing sector, announced today it has signed an agreement to partner with Bedrock Automation, one of the nation's premier manufacturers of cyber-secure industrial automation control systems.

“Control systems coordinate the manufacturing process inside a production facility. As these systems rely more and more on sensors and data collection to measure manufacturing quality, cyber security becomes increasingly significant,” said Ken Detmer, President of Summit Industries. “By partnering with Bedrock Automation, we can now offer our customers the best-in-class secure, scalable, and less expensive option to ensure critical plant data is not compromised.”

According to research compiled by technology author Gil Press in a March 15, 2018 Forbes article, 44 percent of senior executives feel “very” or “extremely” vulnerable to data threats, and 66 percent believe their organization will experience a data breach that will seriously diminish its shareholder value.

“In recent years, cyber security concerns have shifted from online commerce and email fraud to the technology controlling power grids, water supplies, chemical plants and other parts of our critical infrastructure. This comes at a time when industrial plants can save a great deal of money by enabling industrial components to communicate with each other, which unfortunately makes them more vulnerable,” said Albert Rooyakkers, Founder and CEO of Bedrock Automation. “Summit Industries is one of the few Automation Solution

Providers that recognize the need for open, secure industrial systems, and has the expertise to deliver them.”

“Cybersecurity is obviously critical to the Air Force and other Government and DoD departments, in addition to public utilities and water systems,” said Detmer. “Now we are seeing increased concern from our Industrial and manufacturing customers-data is as critical to them as the actual product they make. Securing that data from theft or manipulation is so important for all of our customers whether they are in Food, Pharmaceutical, Aerospace, or Automotive manufacturing,” he said. “That’s why we’re excited to team up with Bedrock.”

Summit Industries-started in 1969-has three divisions:

- Automation & Control division supplies control components and automation products to OEM's and users throughout southern Ohio and northern Kentucky.
- Parker Balston division provides compressed air and gas filters, membrane dryers, and gas generators to analytical/industrial users in Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia.
- Military Sales division supplies packaged industrial components to military depots throughout the United States.

Bedrock Automation, based in San Jose, California, is the maker of Bedrock® the world’s most powerful and cyber secure automation platform. This Silicon Valley company has assembled the latest technologies and talents from the automation, cyber security and semiconductor industries to build an unprecedented automation solution for industrial control based on three prime directives: simplicity, scalability and security. The result is a new platform of automation called OSA®, Open Secure Automation, with a revolutionary electromagnetic backplane architecture and deeply embedded ICS cyber security to deliver the highest levels of system performance, cyber security and reliability at the lowest lifecycle cost.