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Gerber Introduces New Features for the SOLARA™ UV2 Printer with Free Upgrade

SOUTH WINDSOR, Conn.—Gerber Scientific Products introduces an exciting new upgrade for its SOLARA UV2™ hybrid inkjet printer. This upgrade builds on the solid platform of the GSP®'s successful inkjet technology. The SOLARA UV2's hybrid design allows it to quickly switch from a roll-to-roll to a flatbed printer. It can print on a variety of materials up to 60" (152cm) wide including rigid materials up to ½" (13mm) thick.

"GSP has an on-going commitment to inkjet innovation," commented Curt Brey, Director of Digital Solutions, Gerber Scientific Products. "This commitment has resulted in the enhanced SOLARA UV2 which offers expanded capabilities and increased production capacity."

"While the SOLARA UV2 upgrade has many innovative features, its new full-bleed printing on rigid substrates may be the most significant." Brey continued, "Our customers asked for full-bleed printing and we listened. Now the Solara UV2 is even more versatile as it produces a wider-range of graphics that end-users want while contributing to the company's bottom line."

Full bleed printing is just part of this valuable upgrade. Included with the enhanced SOLARA UV2 are these exciting new features and enhancements:

Full Bleed Print Mode

Now print from edge to edge on many rigid materials up to 1/2" (13mm) thick within the SOLARA's 60" x 120" (152cm x 305cm) maximum print size.

Performance Print Mode

Increase production capacity using the new Two-Pass print function. Produce up to eighteen 4' x 8' (122cm x 244cm) signs or two hundred 18" x 24" (46cm x 61cm) signs in a single day with high-quality print results.

Rest Mode

New machine operation mode “rests” the print heads after 60 minutes of idle time. Resting the print heads further extends the unmatched head life of the Solara UV2, and ensures the best possible print performance over the life of the printer.

Improved Troubleshooting

New intelligent error messages provide simple and easy solutions when troubleshooting printer operation, making an already user-friendly printer even easier to use.

Material Size Specification

For those few materials which the Solara UV2 can not measure with its laser-guided material scan system (i.e. clear acrylic with no backing), you can now easily specify exact material dimensions for a print job increasing accuracy and performance.

Vacuum Table Control

Not all materials need the support of the Solara’s robust vacuum system. Now you can control the vacuum manually when printing with light weight or other challenging materials such as cloth or scrimless banner. Vacuum control further increases the range and versatility of materials that can be printed on the Solara UV2.

In January, 2007, new GERBER SOLARA UV2 printers will ship with these advanced capabilities.

Existing SOLARA owners can obtain the upgrade as a free download from the Gerber website:

www.gspinc.com/support/downloads/printers.html.

The SOLARA UV2 is part of Gerber’s Matched Technology System™ which provides users with a complete, integrated start-to-finish solution. With Gerber products and Gerber’s renowned Matched Technology System, there are no surprises, just cost-effective, top-quality results. For more information or a demonstration of the SOLARA UV2, call Gerber at 800.222.7446, visit our website at www.gspinc.com , or contact your local distributor.

About Gerber Scientific Products

Gerber Scientific Products is a leader in the development and manufacture of computerized sign making and specialty graphics systems, software, materials, and accessories. The company's start-to-finish digital design, printing and production products integrate via its unique Match Technology System™ to provide customers with comprehensive engineered solutions for every color printing and dimensional signage need. Based in South Windsor, Conn., Gerber Scientific Products operates as a business unit of Gerber Scientific, Inc.

Gerber Scientific is a leading international supplier of sophisticated automated manufacturing systems for sign making and specialty graphics, apparel and flexible materials, and ophthalmic lens processing. Headquartered in South Windsor, Connecticut, the company operates through four businesses: Gerber Scientific Products and Spandex Ltd., Gerber Technology, and Gerber Coburn.

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