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HITACHI INTRODUCES THE SRL SERIES MULTIPLEX OIL-FREE SCROLL AIR COMPRESSOR TO NORTH AMERICA

TARRYTOWN, NY, November 15th, 2010 -- Hitachi America, Ltd., Industrial Components and Equipment Division, today announced the introduction of the SRL Series Oil-free Multiplex Scroll Air Compressor. As the originators of Scroll Technology for air compression, Hitachi's Air Technology Group continues to make advancements for the discriminating air user. The SRL Oil-free Multiplex Scroll Air Compressor provides an expanded range of operation based on the industry proven Simplex SRL design.

"The expansion of the SRL Series (1.5-16.5kW) to compliment our DSP Series Oil-Less Screw units (15-240kW) empowers the customer to consider oil-free from small to large.....it is this versatility of system design that enables oil-free to be a reality for Pharmaceutical, Chemical, Electronic, Food, Beverage and other markets" noted Larry Cooke, Senior Product Specialist of the Hitachi Air Technology Group

"The SRL Multiplex Series is one of our most exciting portfolio enhancements as we look to enter 2011. With growing concerns for natural resource conservation, expansion of oil-free air technologies is a critical contributor.....Hitachi is committed to this and more through our advanced environmental technologies." noted Nitin G. Shanbhag, Senior Manager of the Hitachi Air Technology Group.

Features of the SRL Series Oil-free Multiplex Scroll portfolio include but are not limited to:

- 7.5kW, 11kW, and 16.5kW units with pressure optimization at 116 PSI or 145 PSI .
- Microprocessors Controls with Energy Saving Variable Drive Mode (Anticipatory corrections / Rate of Change for ascension and descension)
- Quiet Enclosure providing industry leading low sound levels
- 100% oil-less design to conserve natural resources and eliminate environmental emissions (no lubricants and/or grease to manage).
- Patented Scroll Wrap with Alumite™ surface treatment and labyrinth seal which provides superior performance and reliability.

Hitachi's SRL Series Multiplex Oil-free Scroll Air Compressor products are part of the Air Technology Group, which is based in Charlotte, NC. The Charlotte facility is the center for all Air Technology Group business operations, warehousing and training for Distribution Partners and OEMs.

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