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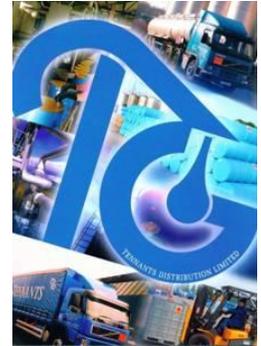
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New market opportunities with long-standing distributors Tennants.

Stuart Alexander of Tennants Distribution Ltd visited PPM Technology this week, constructive discussions were held regarding future market opportunities for PPM and Tennants.

Our partnership with Tennants has been primarily associated with our range Formaldehyde detection instruments, we are hopeful this will continue for years to come.

Over the past few months and in the coming years we will also co-operate in exciting new projects involving our range of IAQ monitoring equipment. Amongst the industries/facilities we are actively targeting with Tennants include:



Swimming Pools - The parameters commonly monitored in indoor swimming pool air are Temperature, Humidity, Chlorine, Ammonia, Carbon Dioxide and Carbon Monoxide. Tennants specialise in chemicals and testing kits used in swimming pools; with their expertise in the field we are confident there will be considerable opportunities for the product in this environment.

Plant/Mechanical Rooms – These are rooms or a space in a building dedicated to the mechanical equipment and its associated electrical equipment. Mechanical rooms typically house; air handlers, boilers, chillers, water heaters and tanks, main distribution piping and valves, back-up electrical generators, and HVAC equipment. Amongst the parameters that often needs to be monitored in this environment include – Temperature, Humidity, Smoke, Carbon Dioxide, Carbon Monoxide and Ozone.



Poultry Farms – Sensors for monitoring Temperature, Humidity, Ammonia and Formaldehyde. Formaldehyde is used on poultry farms and hatcheries as a disinfectant. Ammonia gas is produced when uric acid in the birds faeces breaks down. High ammonia levels can damage the respiratory tract of the bird making them vulnerable to infections.

Tennants Instrument Division website - <http://www.formaldemeter.co.uk/>

Accounting email contacts - Please send all your latest company accounting e-mail addresses to nia@ppm-technology.com In the future we aim to send all invoices and other documents by email in order to reduce paper wastage.

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How to re-set user password for htv-M download software.

To reset password to the original value a tool is included within the software which can be found in the Download Software folder on your computer and is called 'htVm_PasswordZapper'. Running this program will re-set the user's password to 'g0ri4d', following this a black screen will flash up for a few seconds. You should now be able to use the default password to access all of the software features.



If you wish to change the password to something more memorable then use the “/n” command line switch when launching the software. When you use this switch you will be asked for your current password (g0ri4d) and to enter your choice of new password. You must enter your new password twice to confirm that you entered it correctly. The new password will take effect immediately.

For more information please contact - technical@ppm-technology.com

New article published in Wood-Based Panels International Magazine

The article written by PPM discusses formaldehyde released from wood-based panels, and outlines the importance of detecting formaldehyde levels in wood panel mill facilities.

Link: [Full Article](#)



EU: Formaldehyde included on substance evaluation list in 2013.

On Wednesday 29th February the European Chemicals Agency published the Community Rolling Action Plan (CoRAP), a list of chemical substances to be evaluated over a period of three years in order to determine whether policy measures are needed to adequately manage consumer and worker exposure.

Formaldehyde was included in the Community Rolling Action Plan for substance evaluation in 2013; France and the Netherlands will lead the evaluation of formaldehyde as rapporteur and co-rapporteur, and will have one year to do so. In the spirit of the Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals (REACH), the formaldehyde industry will cooperate actively with competent authorities in gathering and supplying the necessary information.

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UK: Good Homes Alliance launches new guidance on ventilation and Indoor Air Quality.

The Good Homes Alliance is a group of housing developers, building professionals and other industry supporters whose aim is to close the gap between aspiration and reality by showing how to build and monitor homes, which are sustainable in the broadest sense.

This report presents results and recommendations following research into examples of good practice in ventilation and indoor air quality for new homes. The aim is to inform and support the work of teams involved in procuring, designing and building low energy homes, by providing clear information highlighting good practice in ventilation and indoor air quality.



Link: [Full Report](#)

Toxic formaldehyde blankets causes severe health problems.

An Australian woman with severe chemical intolerances says her health problems began after she was exposed to a blanket laced with a toxic level of formaldehyde.

Formaldehyde is often applied to clothing and other products to prevent wrinkles and stains. Testing of the Chinese made blanket performed by CSIRO (Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation) at the request of the retailer revealed it contained 1300 parts per million (ppm) of formaldehyde.

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US: Congress to discuss formaldehyde used for cosmetics.

The House Energy and Commerce Committee has called the first official Congressional hearing on cosmetics safety in more than 30 years following recent debates over the levels of certain 'toxic' chemicals present in cosmetic products.

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