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## **Livingston & Haven Honored with Progressive Manufacturer of the Year 2007**

Charlotte, NC – June 19, 2007 – Livingston & Haven, an industrial technology provider, was honored with the Progressive Manufacturer of the Year 2007 award given by Managing Automation, a leading manufacturing publication. Livingston & Haven received the award at the third annual Managing Automation Progressive Manufacturing Summit and awards ceremony held in Las Vegas, Nevada on June 14, 2007.

The Progressive Manufacturing Awards program recognizes companies that have achieved distinction in at least one of the eight core disciplines defined by Managing Automation as critical to business success in the years ahead. A panel of eight distinguished judges evaluated Progressive Manufacturing nominations, identifying 50 that have demonstrated mastery in one or more of the disciplines. From the Progressive Manufacturing 50 the judges selected one high achiever in each discipline and one overall winner. Livingston & Haven received the highest honor as the overall Progressive Manufacturer of the Year.

Livingston & Haven received this award for their multi-year project, “Driving Efficiency”, which began in 2003 when CEO, Clif Vann III, challenged each associate with “doing whatever it takes to ensure the long-term health of U.S. manufacturing.” As a result, Livingston & Haven began to redefine its business in order to become a unique and essential partner for U.S. manufacturing. The company focused on expanding its expertise in a variety of engineering disciplines, driving efficiencies in the supply chain and providing scaleable future proof solutions from the plant floor to the top floor.

“We are very honored to be the recipient of such a prestigious award. The performance of the other award winners was simply amazing and inspiring, so to be recognized among such a group is a great compliment. We sincerely hope this recognition will help provide traction to the concept of the need for a healthy U.S. manufacturing base, and to let people know there are viable options to outsourcing,” Bruce McKay, Vice President of Livingston & Haven stated.

### **About Managing Automation**

Managing Automation, published by Thomas Publishing Company, LLC, provides a complete set of decision-support informational tools for progressive manufacturers – companies who are using information and automation technologies to transform their businesses and create a sustainable competitive advantage. Its monthly magazine, website, information technology comparison and match database, and executive conferences reach the entire integrated technology buying team – executives, line-of-business managers and IT management – at every stage of the technology buying process. Additional information can be found at [www.managingautomation.com](http://www.managingautomation.com).

### **About Livingston & Haven**

Established in 1947, Livingston & Haven is the leading industrial technology provider in the Southeast. The company specializes in providing solutions in the automation, hydraulic, pneumatic, lubrication and connector industries. Headquartered in Charlotte, NC, L&H utilizes a collaboration of engineers and industry focused specialists to provide innovative solutions for manufacturers. L&H also offers a variety of services including: engineering, installations, service and repairs, a training institute and complete online account management. For more information, visit [www.lhtech.com](http://www.lhtech.com), or call toll free 800-825-4969.

