

## For Immediate Release

## New Spiroflow Systems Company Provides Complete Automation Solutions

CHARLOTTE, NC - March 4, 2014 – Spiroflow Systems, Inc. announces the launch of a new business that provides a broad range of automation solutions. Spiroflow

Automation Solutions, Inc. offers automation project services and solutions which include project development, control system design, industrial automation integration, control system migration, HMI design, procurement, startup and long term support across a wide variety of industries. The company's total solutions offerings include process control, robotics, scales, conveyors, Spiroflow material handling equipment and more.

Spiroflow Systems, Inc. CEO, Jeffrey Dudas, said: 'With Spiroflow's 40 years of control system expertise, the launch of this new business is a natural and logical extension of our brand.' Mr. Dudas has appointed Bud Blankenship as president of the new company, 'Bud's combined expertise in automation and business development is unprecedented in the industry. He is perfectly suited to leverage Spiroflow's controls expertise in <u>material handling</u> into many other industries. We are thrilled to have him on board.'

Mr. Blankenship brings over 40 years of experience in operations management, business development and project management of automation projects both domestically and internationally. He previously served as Manager of Business Development in the Mustang Automation and Control business unit of Mustang Engineering and helped grow that group into the largest systems integrator in the world.

Mr. Blankenship also spent over 20 years with Ashland Oil, managing refinery process operations and transportation groups, served four years as Director of the Refining at Litwin Engineering and five years with ABB Automation providing global management of the refining industry.

Spiroflow Automation Solutions differentiates itself with its expert staff, market segment knowledge, technology expertise, control system expertise, and a broad range of services and scope of supply capabilities.

Automation solutions are provided across multiple industries including chemicals, plastics, pulp and paper, life sciences, food, beverage, water treatment, mining, minerals, and packaging.

The company is located in Monroe, NC. To learn about Spiroflow Automations Solutions, visit www.spiroflowsystems.com.

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