

For Immediate Release

Houston, Texas – June 12, 2013. Houston based GHX Industrial (*The Expert Fit*), a wholly owned subsidiary of *The United Distribution Group* announced today that it has acquired the assets of *Flowline Components, Inc.* and *Flowline OEM Group, Inc.*

Founded in 1988 by Larry Blackburn and Greg Johnston, Flowline operates two branches in Baltimore, Maryland and Greencastle, Pennsylvania and is a value added distributor of fabricated hose, MRO products and other related products.

“Flowline concentrates on several primary areas including hydraulic and pneumatic fluid conveyance products, custom assembly, kitting solutions and vendor managed inventory” stated GHX President, Richard Harrison.

Flowline’s core customer base has historically consisted of agriculture, construction and food & beverage OEMs.

“Expanding our service area throughout the US and Canada is an ongoing strategic focus for GHX and the acquisition of the Flowline locations compliments our already strong North American presence” said Darrell Cole, President & CEO of The United Distribution Group.

Mr. Harrison further stated that “the executive management staff of Flowline will remain with the company after the acquisition with Mr. Blackburn maintaining responsibility for sales, marketing and customer relations and Mr. Johnston continuing in his current capacity focusing on operations and inventory management”.

In recent months, GHX has also consolidated its Mobile, Alabama and Pensacola, Florida branches into a newly constructed, 25,000 square foot facility in Loxley, Alabama. The company has also opened a brand new 18,000 square foot state-of-the art facility on West Little York Drive in Houston, Texas.

In addition, McCarty Equipment Company, a subsidiary of GHX Industrial has recently established a location in Dickinson, North Dakota which along with its Williston branch accounts for two locations in the state of North Dakota.

GHX now operates 40 branches in 15 states and provinces throughout the US and Canada.

About GHX Industrial

Headquartered in Houston, TX, GHX provides fluid sealing (gaskets), fluid transfer (hoses) and other products to a variety of industries, particularly the power generation, refining and petrochemical, mining, agriculture, marine and upstream oil and gas enterprises.

About The United Distribution Group

With 62 locations throughout North America, the subsidiaries of The United Distribution Group are leading providers of products and services to a variety of industries including oil & gas, mining, power generation, petrochemical, agriculture, marine and various other industries.

About United Central Industrial Supply

Headquartered in Bristol, TN, United Central Industrial Supply is a full line, full service mining and industrial supplies distributor with 21 locations throughout the United States and Canada.

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