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RST Thermal to acquire Kasten and Company.

RST Thermal, based in Westwood, MA is pleased to announce that on January 1, 2011, Kasten & Company, Manufacturers Reps, will be merged into RST Thermal.

Kasten & Company was founded in 1995 by Robert Kasten and covers all of New England for a series of high quality HVAC lines: the major ones being Bard HVAC (Wall units, Geothermal Heat Pumps) RenewAire (Energy Recovery Ventilators) and Ultravation (High quality Filtration of air and water).

For many years, Kasten had pioneered the Unico line in Connecticut and the new company, RST Thermal will take over the line again for Connecticut starting January 1, 2011.

Rich Bialobrzewski (By-LO-breski) joins the RST Thermal team with industry leading experience in Indoor Air Quality and will champion the air side and engineered products division. Rich is a sales professional that is well respected throughout the HVAC wholesale community.

Robert Kasten will continue with the new company in a limited role during the transition and will cover Western MA, Vermont and upstate NY. "This is a great solution for us and the customer. We have these great lines that deserve the kind of effort and energy that RST Thermal can bring. I've had a great career and wanted our people and our lines to go on in a place they can flourish. I'm thrilled" said Robert Kasten.

RST Inc. was started in 1989 by Richard Trethewey and has represented a series of high end, mostly hydronic (water based) heating products. Originally called Radiant Systems Technology, for over twenty years, we have pioneered radiant and better heating products. We enjoy a reputation for high levels of technical and sales support for the contractor and wholesaler sales staff and have grown consistently through the years.

Last January, RST Inc merged with David Walsh from Thermal Sales creating "RST Thermal". David brings his incredible industry resume, sales skill, and expertise to the company. Dave was the former VP of Sales at Weil McLain boilers and is well respected throughout the industry.

This move expands the company while at the same time brings more balance to it. "For all these years, we strictly played in the narrow world of hydronic heating. We were missing steady interaction with the larger segment of the HVAC world, the air side contractor, wholesaler and engineer. This merger of product lines and expertise enables us to deliver more value to our customers. We're playing in a much bigger world." said Richard Trethewey, president of RST Thermal.

The other position of strength for RST Thermal is in renewable energy. We have one of the best solar people in the industry on staff in Ross Trethewey, an engineer with a Masters in mechanical Engineering from Tufts, Ross was formerly the solar expert for Viessmann Manufacturing (US) and interned overseas. His Masters Thesis was on solar thermal and he was the lead engineer on the Solar Decathlon house built by Tufts. He combines the unique combination of expertise and communication skills. "I'm excited about the addition of the Bard line of geothermal. We're often called in to jobs to figure out why the geothermal isn't performing. Now, with our own line of heat pumps, we can be part of the team that engineers and applies them correctly in the first place" said Ross.

RST Thermal is located at 372 University Avenue, Westwood, MA 02090. Our office number is **781-320-9910** and fax is 781-320-9906. For more information, please call our office or visit our website, www.RSTThermal.com. It is full of information on all the products, is user friendly, and easy to navigate.

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