

## Relocation of Beckhoff North America headquarters



More space: The headquarters of Beckhoff North America has moved to a larger building in Burnsville, Minnesota.

The Beckhoff sales team for North America: After the successful move, a sales meeting took place in the new premises. Gerd Hoppe and Jörg Rottkord from the German headquarters provided support for the Beckhoff North America team.



At the end of August 2004, Beckhoff Automation LCC, based in Burnsville, Minnesota, moved into a new headquarters. The new, larger office and warehouse facility for Beckhoff North America is only a few blocks away from the old location. "This step became necessary due to our strong sales growth," explained Graham Harris, president. "The new facility, at 12,000 sq ft., doubles the warehouse space and adds a repair center and an engineering lab, as well as providing more office space for the larger organization and for future growth." Graham Harris, proudly reports that, "The move was so well coordinated and handled by the Beckhoff team that our customers never even noticed the change."

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## New technical office for California

Due to strong business growth, Beckhoff has opened its first regional Technical Center in Carlsbad, located between San Diego and Los Angeles in southern California. The office will be run by Bob Trask P.E., West Region application engineer, and will provide training and product demonstrations. "This new technical center is a big move for Beckhoff in California," Trask said. "It's more proof to me that Beckhoff has a very bright future here and across the entire U.S."

Apart from training for the Beckhoff IPC and I/O components, the focus is on PC-based control technology with TwinCAT software PLC/NC with particular emphasis on PLC and motion control programming. Training courses for EtherCAT will be offered, scheduled to begin in 2005.

"By providing local technical support, we have taken another step forward as part of our commitment to greater customer orientation," Graham Harris further explained.

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