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## Microscan Dedicates Northeast Technology Center in U.S.

**RENTON, WA, January 2010** — Microscan, a global technology leader for precision data acquisition and control solutions, headquartered in Renton, WA, announces the dedication of its satellite facility, the Northeast Technology Center, in Nashua, NH. The company invited a select group of key customers and media to attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the dedication of the Technology Center.

Microscan, the leading global provider of TTC (Track, Trace and Control) has an extensive portfolio of intellectual property, including more than 30 pending patents to complement its existing 85 technology patents. As a technology leader, Microscan's history of innovation includes the invention of the first laser diode barcode scanner and the 2D symbology, Data Matrix.

Microscan's Northeast Technology Center augments the company's high-powered engineering and technical research and development capabilities. The approximately 20,000 sq. ft. facility is currently dedicated to R&D for machine vision, machine vision lighting, direct part mark reading, and verification. The staff at the facility includes four PhDs. Additionally, the Center features engineering labs, a training facility and a comprehensive product demonstration room.

"The northeastern United States has a rich history for cutting edge technology stemming from major colleges and institutions such as MIT. This facility allows us to focus elite technical resources on development, without the distraction of other corporate functions such as administration, manufacturing or sales," said Bruce Scharf, Vice President of Engineering at Microscan. "As a result, Microscan will be able to continue leading technology in automatic identification and machine vision solutions."

The inventor of the laser barcode scanner and 2D code Data Matrix, Microscan has a strong history of product innovation, as well as holding the most extensive patent portfolio of any Auto ID company. The addition of the Northeast Technology Center and the introduction of nine new products throughout 2009 shows that the company has and will continue to remain focused on product development, even during a downturn.

## About Microscan

Microscan is a global leader in technology for precision data acquisition and control solutions serving a wide range of automation and OEM applications. Founded in 1982, Microscan has a strong history of technology innovation that includes the invention of the first laser diode barcode scanner and the 2D symbology, Data Matrix. Today, Microscan remains a technology leader in automatic identification and machine vision with extensive solutions for ID tracking, traceability and inspection ranging from basic barcode reading up to complex machine vision inspection, gauging, and measurement.

As an ISO 9001:2008 certified company recognized for quality leadership in the U.S., Microscan is known and trusted by customers worldwide as a provider of quality, high precision products. Microscan is a Spectris company. For more information, visit [www.microscan.com](http://www.microscan.com).

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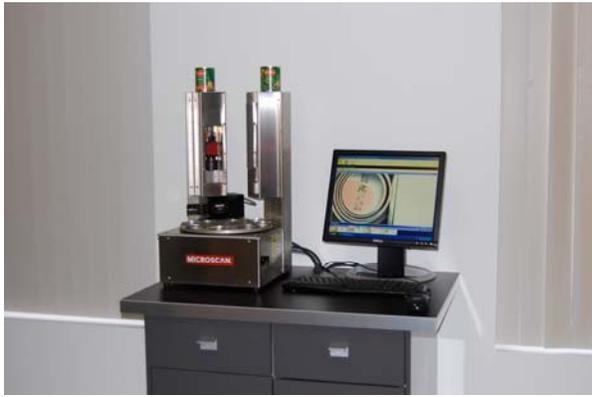


**Caption:** Microscan dedicates its satellite facility, the Northeast Technology Center, located in Nashua, NH.



## Caption:

Microscan President Jeff Timms and Vision Systems Design Magazine Editor Andrew Wilson speak at the opening of the Northeast Technology Center.



**Caption:**

Over 20 products are actively displayed in the product demonstration room of the Northeast Technology Center. Microscan products use barcode, machine vision, and lighting technologies for quality inspection, measurement, identification, and traceability applications. Microscan Lighting Engineer Mike Messina demonstrates the variety of machine vision lighting products.

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