

3M Announces New 3M-Matic Case Sealer 110a; Compact, Fast, Affordable Case Sealer Added to Industry-Leading Equipment Line

At the 2004 Pack Expo show today, 3M, the industry leader in packaging equipment and tapes, announced the introduction of the new 3M-Matic case sealer 110a. Designed for lighter-duty case sealing operations, the semi-automatic 3M-Matic case sealer 110a is compact and fast, sealing up to 30 cases per minute.

Easily adjustable for different size case runs, the 3M-Matic bottom drive belt 110a features 3M's advanced, low-impact 3M AccuGlide II taping heads with curvilinear tracks. Additional features include a height adjustment crank, adjustable side guides and a sturdy bottom belt drive mechanism with easy to install laced replacements. Dual masts offer extra stability and uniform height adjustment.

"3M-Matic packaging equipment is known for its consistent quality, performance and reliability," said Michael Koller, packaging business unit manager, 3M Industrial Adhesives and Tapes Division. "The 3M-Matic 110a is an affordable option for manufacturers seeking to standardize their packaging equipment across global operations without sacrificing quality."

For information on the full line of 3M-Matic case sealers stop by the 3M booth (N-3643), phone 1-800-362-3550 or visit www.3M.com/packaging.

3M in Packaging

Since the day in 1941 when 3M made its first packaging product - pressure-sensitive tapes to seal K-rations for the U. S. Army - 3M has been a leader in packaging. From those now famous Scotch brand tapes, to high-speed 3M-Matic packaging machinery, to integrated packaging management solutions and security assurance products, 3M is an established leader in the industry. As an \$18 billion, diversified technology company, 3M holds a unique position as both a top supplier and as a major user of packaging technology. 3M knows packaging - with expertise in issues affecting diverse industries - food and beverage; life sciences consumer packaged goods; electronics and semiconductor; aerospace; communications; computer equipment; and many others. 3M's expertise in packaging can add value to virtually any company's operations and serve needs such as packaging automation, product protection, identification and brand building, security and cost management.

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