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New Version of Opto 22's *groov* Now Works with Any Automation System

Zero-programming, web-based mobile operator interface system works with automation systems from Rockwell Automation, Siemens, Schneider Electric, GE, Mitsubishi, and many more.

Temecula, CA – November 12, 2013 – Industrial automation manufacturer Opto 22 has announced *groov* version 2.0, a web-based mobile operator interface system that simplifies building and using effective, scalable operator interfaces on smartphones, tablets, and other mobile devices—all with no programming. *groov* lets industrial automation end-users, system integrators, machine OEMs, technicians, or any authorized person quickly and securely monitor and control PLCs and PACs like Allen-Bradley ControlLogix and CompactLogix, Siemens SIMATIC S7, Schneider Electric Modicon, GE PACSystems, and other controllers, all from a mobile device. *groov* gets important data out of process control, OEM machines, and manufacturing systems and into operators' hands.

Try Before You Buy

A fully functional version of *groov* Server for Windows is available to download and try so you can see your own system's data on a smartphone, tablet, or other mobile device. Just download and install the software-based *groov* Server for Windows. *groov* 2.0 will be available at groov.com on Nov. 22, 2013. Simple instructions walk you through software setup, connecting to one or more systems, and building simple interfaces so you can quickly see realtime system data on a mobile device. *groov* operates for two hours without a license.

What's *groov?*

groov is a zero-programming, web-based way to build, deploy, and view effective, scalable operator interfaces to monitor and control systems and equipment using mobile devices and other computer-based systems. These operator interfaces can be viewed on almost any mobile device or computer regardless of its manufacturer, operating system, or screen size, including smartphones, tablets, PCs, and even smart high-definition televisions.

groov can augment existing human-machine interfaces (HMIs) and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems by making important information available at any time and in any location. *groov* is available as either the standalone *groov* Box hardware appliance or the PC-based *groov* Server for Windows software.

groov uses a standard method of securely communicating with devices on the plant floor, including PLCs, DCSs, PACs, databases, and OPC-DA servers called OPC Unified Architecture (OPC UA).

groov works with Kepware Technologies' KEPServerEX communications platform. Kepware has developed hundreds of device drivers for communicating with diverse automation systems, databases, building automation systems, and more.

Pricing and Availability

groov 2.0 will be available on Nov. 22, 2013. Choose either the *groov* Box hardware appliance (GROOV-AT1) at a list price of $2895.00 USD, or *groov* Server for Windows software (GROOV-SVR-WIN) at a list price of $2695.00 USD. For more information, contact Opto 22 Pre-Sales at 951-695-3000 or toll free at 800-321-6786, or visit groov.com.

An OPC-UA server is also required, and we recommend the KEPServerEX communications platform from Kepware Technologies. Call Kepware at 207-775-1660 or visit info.kepware.com/kepserverex-and-groov for more information. A fully functional version of KEPServerEX is available that operates for two hours without a license.

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About Opto 22

Opto 22 develops and manufactures hardware and software for applications involving industrial automation and control, energy management, remote monitoring, and data acquisition. Designed and made in the U.S.A., Opto 22 products have an established reputation worldwide for ease-of-use, innovation, quality, and reliability. Opto 22 products, including the *groov* mobile operator interface, use standard, commercially available networking and computer technologies, and are used by automation end-users, OEMs, and information technology and operations personnel in over 10,000 installations worldwide. The company was founded in 1974 and is privately held in Temecula, California, U.S.A. Opto 22 products are available through a global network of distributors and system integrators. For more information, contact Opto 22 headquarters at +1-951-695-3000 or visit www.opto22.com.

About Kepware Technologies

Kepware Technologies is a private software development company headquartered in Portland, Maine. Kepware provides a portfolio of software solutions to help businesses connect diverse automation devices and software applications. From plant floor to wellsite to windfarm, Kepware serves a wide range of customers in a variety of international vertical markets including Manufacturing, Oil & Gas, Building Automation, Power Distribution, and more. Established in 1995 and now distributed in more than 100 countries, Kepware's software solutions help thousands of businesses improve operations and decision making. Learn more at www.kepware.com.

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